

McGeer Slides Quietly Home

THREE OPTIONS IN ICBC REPORT

VANCOUVER (CP)—Byron Straight, 58, a Vancouver consulting actuary, said today he did not have time to check an estimate by the Crown-owned Insurance Corporation of British Columbia of claims costs for next year.

Straight was commenting in an interview on his report into the proposed 1976 Autoplan rates.

He was given six days by the New Social Credit government to do the job and it was one of his alternative rate structures that was chosen originally by Education Minister Pat McGeer, who is the cabinet minister responsible for government auto insurance.

The alternative was the one which provided for the highest immediate cost to the motorist, involving amounts averaging two to 2½ times those paid for 1975 auto insurance in B.C.

Straight said at any point in his review he could have stopped and announced that without more information he could not complete the job.

"But the job had to be done so I made what decisions I could in the time available," he added.

Following is the complete text of his report:

Board of Directors
Insurance Corporation of
British Columbia
Gentlemen:

I am pleased to present this report on my examination of the adequacy of the automobile insurance premium rates of the corporation proposed for 1976-77, to make recommendations on the automobile insurance premium rates so that there will be no budgetary provision for a deficit for 1976-77 and to determine the automobile insurance premium revenue required over a reasonable period to retire the estimated accrued deficit of the Automobile Insurance Act Fund at Feb. 29, 1976.

Because of the state of emergency in the corporation's financial affairs and the necessarily short period of time allowed for this review and report, I have had to rely heavily on existing studies and reports of the corporation's management. Some of those reports were slightly out of date, mainly because of the lag in processing claims that were incurred during the strike. With the assistance of executives in the financial division and the claims division, I have attempted to improve the reliability of the estimates of the claims incurred to date and expected to be incurred by the end of this fiscal year (Feb. 29, 1976). On the basis of this latest information, it

Cabinet Salaries Cut Vowed

Premier Bill Bennett said Tuesday that the Social Credit government will live up to its campaign promise and reduce the salaries of cabinet ministers.

Bennett said in a BCTV interview that Finance Minister Evan Wolfe and the cabinet are working on a formula to reduce the salaries of not only cabinet ministers, but MLAs "and perhaps some others."

Cabinet ministers were paid \$48,000 and MLAs \$24,000 under the former NDP government.

Bennett would not disclose the amount of the cuts or what he meant by "some others."

"Let's just leave it at that," said the premier.

He said the new government "won't have large numbers of political appointments," and Social Credit won't match the number of executive assistants appointed by the NDP.

The government's first cut-back came in the form of an order Tuesday limiting the research and secretarial staffs of opposition parties. Former NDP cabinet minister Graham Lea claimed the move was a breach of an agreement between Bennett and former premier Dave Barrett. (See Page 3).

appears that the claims costs might be slightly below the amounts projected in the budgets prepared by the management for the Autoplan fund. But since the difference is not great, and since the latest reviews indicate that the incurred claims in the fiscal year 1974-75 were under-calculated by approximately \$7½ million in the liabilities shown in the financial statement at Feb. 28, 1975, it would be prudent to use the management's original estimates of operations for the current year 1975-76 without change.

For the year 1976-77 I have accepted the projections of the task force headed by the director of Autoplan under the direction of the vice-president of underwriting covering all of the elements in the projection where applicable, including all of the sources of revenue, the claims costs and the expenses of administering claims and general administration expenses and commissions. The important factors used in the projection for 1976-77 were analysed and criticized to determine whether they needed modification as a result of updating of the underlying information used to make the projections. I was unable to find any significant deficiency in the principles or factors used, and I have accordingly accepted the results.

Brief History
The schedule below summarizes the operations of the fiscal year 1974-75:

Income	
All amounts in millions	
Prem. on vehicles	\$188
Prem. on drivers	18
Invest. income	9
Total Income	\$215
Outgo	
Claims	\$202
Expenses, commissions and administration	47
Total Outgo	\$249
Loss for year	\$34

The premium rates used were closely similar to the premium rates in the Canadian Underwriters Association manual for the year 1972 for drivers with a five year clear record, but modified by deducting \$10 in one of the rate categories to allow for the separate payment of a driver's insurance premium of \$10. Because of increasing claim frequencies and increasing average amounts per

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Times News Services
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VANCOUVER (CP)—Education Minister Pat McGeer returned today from a brief holiday in Hawaii, avoiding newsmen waiting to question him at the airport about the auto insurance rate row.

McGeer, who said in Honolulu Tuesday he was "deeply sorry" about callous remarks he made over the plight of motorists facing stiff insurance hikes, premium hikes under the Insurance Corp. of B.C., was spirited through customs by a side door.

His wife told the reporters at the McGeer home in Vancouver's Point Grey district that a statement would be made later today.

McGeer, the cabinet minister responsible for the ICBC, arrived at 5 a.m. It wasn't until all the passengers had disembarked that airport officials admitted he had been allowed out through a side door in the customs section of the terminal.

In McGeer's absence, after announcing rate hikes of up to \$300 or more, Attorney-General Garde Gardom, also an ICBC director, said Tuesday he has been working for two or three days on a proposal to soften the blow for motorists.

Gardom, McGeer and ICBC's other director, general manager Norm Bortnick, are to consider the installment payment plan today and present it to the cabinet in Victoria Thursday.

In a statement from Hawaii, McGeer said an installment plan was in the offing, and said he was sorry about saying motorists who could not afford the stiff premiums should sell their cars.

The comment brought a storm of protest from government backbenchers, who reported widespread complaints from their constituents, and Premier Bill Bennett Monday said the government and ICBC would try and do something to ease the blow.

Bennett insisted the stiff rate hikes are necessary to straighten out the "financial mess" he blamed on interference by the previous NDP government in the operation of ICBC.

The CBC Tuesday night reran the segment of the

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B-R-R-R...

EDMONTON (CP)—Northern Alberta bore the brunt of an Arctic air mass that set record low temperatures throughout the prairies this morning.

Other northern Alberta centres also reached record lows overnight as Grande Prairie dropped to -44 degrees, Peace River reached -43 and the temperature at Fort Nelson dipped to -42.

Sky Shops Lease Reversal Bared



BORDER ROADBLOCKS between Ulster and Eire were set up by British troops today as the hunt continued for terrorists who machine-gunned 10 Protestant workers beside a bus Monday. "Protestant militants in the embattled province have threatened retaliatory killings. (See story on page 3)

Ottawa-B.C. Rift Shows Between PCs

VANCOUVER (CP)—A split between the provincial and federal wings of the Progressive Conservative party in B.C. came into the open on Tuesday.

Provincial leader Dr. Scott Wallace accused unnamed federal Conservatives of having hindered and obstructed the Tory effort in the Dec. 11 provincial election campaign.

Because of this, he said, the time may be ripe for setting up a separate provincial party administrative structure, with its own president and other officers.

As an apparent first move towards this separation, Wallace announced he has decided to establish a permanent provincial campaign committee, to ensure there is no curbing of party work in future provincial elections.

Wallace disclosed he held a meeting last Sunday at the Richmond Inn of defeated provincial Tory candidates and some of their workers and supporters. Out of this meeting came the decision to establish the provincial committee as a vehicle to retain the "eagerness and enthusiasm" of the candidates to "get going right away in their own ridings to build on the base they established this time round."

Wallace said he expects to name a committee of about a dozen for a "purely provincial function." He said he, as leader, has the prerogative to set up such a committee.

Wallace would not identify any of the federal Tories he claims damaged the party's provincial election effort, saying he does not want to start "name-calling."

Conservative president Tony Saunders said he would have no comment on the Wallace statements "until I have spoken to him... I just don't understand what he means (by obstruction)... I really don't know who he is talking about, quite frankly."

former finance minister John Turner quit the federal cabinet has resulted in at least three clandestine meetings by the dissidents but no action has yet been decided on, Cossitt claimed.

Meanwhile, Walter Fitzgerald, labor minister in Nova Scotia's Liberal government, said a split is developing among Liberals across Canada on the issue of long-term controls.

Fitzgerald said he disagreed with the prime minister's statement that the Canadian economy will likely require more controls than in the past.

TAX MAN TOP CHEAT

LOS ANGELES (UPI)—A former U.S. internal revenue service agent who lived it up in an exclusive home, had a garage full of expensive foreign cars and his own airplane, Tuesday admitted cheating the government out of \$565,000.

Federal authorities said it was the largest tax fraud ever carried out by a single taxpayer.

David Glen Robinson, 31, Pasadena, Calif., filed false income tax returns for four years using an assumed name, phony forms, a fake address and listed his employer as a Houston firm where he was unknown. He pleaded guilty to the charges in U.S. district court.

Assistant U.S. Attorney A. Howard Matz was reluctant to air details of the fraud but said the phony returns were

filed from 1971 through 1974 and the refunds totalled more than \$565,000. Sentencing was scheduled for Jan. 26.

Federal investigators said Robinson used the money to buy an \$84,500 home, an airplane and several automobiles, including three Jaguars, two Lamborghinis, a Ferrari and a Mercedes Benz.

An IRS employee at the Fresno, Calif., disbursing centre uncovered the case when he became curious about the size of the refunds.

Robinson worked for the IRS's Los Angeles district office in 1969 but left for Australia when agents uncovered an embezzlement scheme he was operating, Matz said.

He later was extradited to the United States.

Soviet Missile Carrier Steaming Toward Angola

Times News Services

WASHINGTON — A Soviet guided missile destroyer and a landing craft for tanks are steaming toward Angola, informed sources said Tuesday night.

The movement and capabilities were being viewed with grave concern by U.S. officials watching the fast-developing Angola situation.

The destroyer, sources said, is of the Kotlin class and was steaming toward Angola from a position off the coast of Gabon. Sailing with the destroyer is a Soviet oiler so the warship can be refueled as it continues toward Angola.

Also worrying U.S. observers is the presence of a Soviet ship off the Congo which is capable of landing tanks, armored vehicles and troops.

This ship, intelligence services report, has Soviet personnel aboard, but numbers have not been determined. It is not known if the vessel is carrying tanks, but the possibility has been raised that it does carry assault troops.

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This naval force appeared headed for Angola at the moment the U.S. is trying to damp down the crisis and is expressing hope that the Soviets — as hinted in a recent editorial in Pravda — had decided to withdraw from Angola.

There is a chance, intelligence officers agreed, that the big assault ships might have the mission of withdrawing Soviet weaponry from Angola, but the possibility appears slim.

Meanwhile, U.S. Senator John Tunney (Dem.-Calif.) charged Tuesday that American pilots are airlifting weapons from Zaire into Angola.

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OTTAWA (CP)—The transport department reversed itself in 1972 in granting Sky Shops Export Ltd. a five-year extension on the lease for its duty-free shop at Montreal International Airport at Dorval, Elmer MacKay (PC-Central Nova) said today.

At a news conference, Mr. MacKay produced a letter and telegram from two senior transport officials in 1970 telling Sky Shops that the airport lease would be put up for public tender in 1975.

That decision was reversed in 1972 when the lease was extended to 1980. A few months later shareholders sold out to P. Lawson Travel.

The shareholders included Liberal Senator Louis Giguere, a party fund-raiser in Montreal, who bought 5,000 shares of Sky Shops stock for \$5,000 in June, 1972, and sold them in November, 1972, for \$100,000, making a \$95,000 profit.

Major shareholders had sold part of their holdings to Senator Giguere at \$1 a share four months before Lawson paid \$20 a share and six months after an offer to shareholders of stock at \$15 a share, Mr. MacKay said. He asked why they would take an "extraordinary loss" on the sale to Senator Giguere.

He produced a telegram from O. G. Stoner, then deputy minister of transport, to Sky Shops president Louis Lapointe in June, 1970, in which Mr. Lapointe was told the lease would not be extended beyond Nov. 30, 1975, and that tenders would be called at that time for all concession shops.

A month later T. M. McGrath, assistant director of the department's airports and field operations section, wrote Lionel Chevrier, acting as Sky Shops spokesman, saying the Sky Shops shop had been profitable and the department could see no reason for extending the lease beyond 1975 without public tenders.

Mr. MacKay said that Mr. Chevrier, member of the Montreal law firm of Geoffroy and Prud'homme, probably was hired because he would be influential in trying to function Sky Shops' interests. Mr. Chevrier had been transport

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NEWS BRIEFS

Inflation Down

SANTIAGO (UPI)—Chile's inflation rate was down to 340 per cent in 1975 from 375 per cent in 1974, the national statistics institute has announced.

Prices rose 7.1 per cent in December, the lowest monthly figure for the year.

Italian Gov't Quits

ROME (UPI)—Premier Aldo Moro's minority coalition government resigned today when the Socialist party withdrew its support. The move could force early elections and bring the Communist party nearer to a national governing role. For story on CIA role in Italy see page 7.

Recount Continues

VANCOUVER (CP)—A returning office spokesman said Tuesday that a judicial recount in Coquitlam, where former premier Dave Barrett went down to personal defeat in the Dec. 11 provincial election, might take until Saturday to complete.

Gunboat Rammed

REYKJAVIK (UPI)—A British naval frigate assigned to protect Britain's fishing fleet inside Icelandic waters rammed and extensively damaged an Icelandic gunboat today, the coast guard reported.

Store Bombed

PORTO, Portugal (AP)—A powerful bomb today destroyed a Communist social centre and co-operative store and did considerable damage to nearby buildings, including the national court offices. No casualties were reported.

Explain Curbs Plan, MPs Demand of Trudeau

Statements by Prime Minister Trudeau concerning possible long-term economic controls have aroused wrath both inside and outside of his governing Liberal caucus.

Former federal cabinet minister Herb Gray Tuesday demanded that Trudeau call a full caucus meeting and explain the remarks made in a year-end TV interview.

"There is considerable un-

ease over what Trudeau has exactly in mind," Gray said. He denied, however, claims made by Tory MP Tom Cossitt earlier in the day that dissent is spreading in the ranks of backbench Liberal MPs over Trudeau's leadership.

Cossitt said that at least one cabinet minister and several MPs were planning to jump party ranks and either cross the floor to the Conservative party or sit as Independents in the House.

The dissent, spreading since

former finance minister John Turner quit the federal cabinet has resulted in at least three clandestine meetings by the dissidents but no action has yet been decided on, Cossitt claimed.

Meanwhile, Walter Fitzgerald, labor minister in Nova Scotia's Liberal government, said a split is developing among Liberals across Canada on the issue of long-term controls.

Fitzgerald said he disagreed with the prime minister's statement that the Canadian economy will likely require more controls than in the past.

In Toronto, a number of Liberal riding association presidents say they are also concerned.

John Carley, president of the Leeds Association, called on Ontario Liberals last week to reject the current Liberal philosophy that has brought wage and price controls for three years and a warning by Trudeau that the free-en-

terprise system no longer seems capable of meeting the economic demands of Canada.

Larry Ross, president of the St. Andrew-St. Patrick Liberal Association, said there is a lot of dissatisfaction among Liberals on wage and price controls.

Stan Mamak, head of the Parkdale Liberal Association, said he hopes the prime minister is flying "a trial balloon" in suggestions that more rigid or permanent controls may have to be imposed.

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BIRDSEED BANDIT DIDN'T WANT CASH

Times News Services
LOS ANGELES — This heist was for the birds. Literally.

Thirty-nine year old Mikos Petrovics didn't want money as a ransom for the hostages he held for 90 minutes in a suburban bank. He wanted birdseed.

He didn't even know how many hostages he was holding. He thought two. But there were five others, bank employees in a back-room training session who didn't even know what was happening.

The drama began when Petrovics walked into the bank Tuesday afternoon pointed a revolver at manager Joe Ferguson and told him to clear the bank.

Everybody left except Petrovics, Ferguson, the asis-

tant manager and the five in the back room.

"He then told me to phone all the branches of the Bank of America and order a truckload of birdseed dumped in front of them, Ferguson said.

A country marshal who had been in the bank, and a silent alarm, alerted police. They notified FBI agents, who telephoned the bank to ask if a robbery was going on.

Yes, indeed, Ferguson told them.

Put the robber on the line, the FBI agent said.

"He made no demand for money," an FBI spokesman said later. "He told us he wanted a load of birdseed, delivered and dumped in front of the bank—for the birds, you know?"

He also wanted the air in all Bank of America branches filtered through birdseed and demanded that Ferguson "cleanse himself in the ocean," and that "everyone join hands, walk to the ocean and meditate," the FBI man said.

Instead 50 local police officers and 10 FBI agents surrounded the bank backstopped by a helicopter.

While one FBI man was talking to Petrovics through the front door, two other officers crashed in through the back way and arrested him.

The birdseeded bandit was taken to a psychiatric ward for observation.

The pistol? Pure junk, said an FBI man, "and it wasn't even loaded."

Locker Security Studied

VANCOUVER (CP) — Vancouver International Airport is assessing the security risk of coin-operated luggage lockers and will decide by next week whether or not to remove the lockers, airport manager William Inglis said Tuesday.

Following a bomb explosion in an airport locker which killed 11 persons and injured 75 in New York last week, he was asked by the federal Ministry of Transport to assess locker location with respect to people and whether they should be relocated behind security screens or removed altogether.

Inglis said he is particularly concerned because of a potential source of conflict in June when delegates of the Palestinian Liberation Organization will be attending the United Nations Conference on human settlements in Vancouver.

"We're certainly preparing for any eventuality that might occur in June," he said.

"The New York situation was disastrous and tragic and there is no way we want it to happen here."

There are six locker areas at Vancouver airport, all of which are located in high density areas. Four are on the arrivals level and two are on departures.

Action similar to that being taken in Vancouver has also been instigated at 34 other major Canadian airports.

McGeer Gives Media Slip

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McGeer interview with Jack Wasserman to show that the minister's statement was anything but "offhand."

In fact, Wasserman gave McGeer two opportunities to reconsider his remark but McGeer didn't budge.

Some government MLAs said Tuesday that massive increases in car insurance premiums are not the best answer to ICBC's estimated \$181 million debt.

Gerry Strongman (Vancouver South) said B.C. motorists should not object to paying the same insurance rates as other Canadians but the ICBC debt should not increase the burden.

Strongman, Jack Kempf (Omineca) and Cyril Shelford

(Skeena) said gasoline taxes should be applied to the debt. Kempf said, a gasoline tax of 10 cents or more a gallon is a good idea because "the more you use your car the more you pay."

Shelford said Social Credit MLAs Howard Lloyd and James Chabot have told Bennett that gasoline tax money should be applied to the ICBC debt.

Sen. Ed Lawson, president of the Teamsters Union joint council, said the NDP government was elected on the promise that the large capital outlay required to set up the government-owned car insurance company would be provided by the 10-cent-a-gallon gasoline tax.

Lawson said 2,000 independent truckers allied with his union will be driven out of business if the premiums are increased by 100 to 150 per cent.

Conservative leader Scott Wallace said the Social Credit approach to removing the deficit is "heartless and really overlooks some real hardship to people on moderate in-

comes." He said that instead of increasing premiums the government should consider other measures, such as increasing deductions for collision coverage.

The Vancouver Labor Council voted Tuesday to circulate a petition throughout B.C. asking the government to drop its premium increases and to transfer the gas tax and licence fee revenue to auto insurance.

Council president Syd Thompson said allowing motorists to make the increased payments over a year won't

solve the problem because "autos in today's economy are just as essential as medicine or education."

In Ottawa, an official of the federal Anti-Inflation Board said Tuesday that the board had received some complaints about the proposed rate increases, but not in substantial volume.

The Canadian Press distributed an erroneous report from Prince George Monday that Alan Mackay had said that the board "is being inundated by literally thousands of complaints."

NOTICE TO SEARS CUSTOMERS

In the Sears Warehouse Sale Flyer delivered to your home this week — on page 4, item 4c—men's polyester filled, belted jacket; the delivery of this merchandise has been delayed and will be available in approximately 3 weeks. Page 14, item 14u—tile to pile sweeper is incorrectly described and should read: 3-position adjustment; Green only. Our apologies for any inconveniences caused.

Gov't Reversal On Sky Shops

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minister from 1945 to 1954 and a member of the Mackenzie King, St. Laurent and Pearson cabinets.

Mr. MacKay produced what he said was a bill to Sky Shops from Geoffrion and Prud'homme for \$1,000.80. Dated Oct. 2, 1970, it outlined efforts to gain a lease extension through discussions with Mr. McGrath and Eric Winsor, director general of airports and construction services in the transport department.

The bill said the efforts ended "with the ministry's refusal to extend the lease for a longer period than that allowed the other licence holders, that is 1975."

Mr. MacKay emphasized that there was no suggestion that Mr. Chevrier had done anything wrong.

He simply had acted as a lawyer on behalf of a client and there was no evidence he

had acted for Sky Shops after the summer of 1970, two years before the lease extension was granted. However, the Chevrier hiring indicated that Sky Shops was going after "high-powered people" to get the extension.

"What it seems to indicate to me is that this little company brought extraordinary pressure on the transport department and the department reversed itself," he said.

Why it reversed itself was a question that should be raised in a judicial inquiry, he asserted.

An RCMP investigation into Sky Shops became public early last November when RCMP raided offices of Senator Giguere and major 1972 stockholders in Sky Shops, including Mr. Lapointe and N.H.L. President Clarence Campbell, who was among those who sold stock to the senator.

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Guerrillas Break Out In Beirut

Times News Services

BEIRUT — Several thousand Palestinian guerrillas pushed out of an encircled refugee camp today, overran Christian lines in a furious fighting and seized a strategic two-mile arc of territory in Eastern Beirut, ending a two-week lull in fighting between Moslem and Christian factions.

Estimates put early casualties at 15 dead and about 35 wounded, raising the toll in nine months of warfare in Lebanon to nearly 8,100 dead and 17,250 wounded.

Backed by intense rocket, mortar, machine gun and anti-aircraft fire, Palestinian and Moslem forces pushed north and west across eastern Beirut from the Tal Zaatar refugee camp in a ferocious drive to break the back of a five-day-old Christian blockade of food and supplies to the encircled camp.

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Key Announcement Due in Environment

Environment Minister Jim Nielsen said today a major announcement of the obligations and responsibilities of his department will be made next week.

In an interview, Nielsen said the matter will be discussed at Thursday's cabinet meeting.

Premier Bill Bennett, when he announced the creation of the new department last month, said it will be involved in land and water resources, the Land Commission, the Land Use Secretariat and some areas of the old recreation and conservation department including parks.

Nielsen, 37, a former radio host-liner who defeated NDP backbencher Harold Steeves

in the Dec. 11 election, would not elaborate on what his new department's responsibilities will be.

He said however, "By extension the environment department could be regarded as the only department in the government."

For example, he said, the environmental land issues are the concerns of agriculture, forest and highways departments.

REQUEST WEEKEND details — dial CKDA 1220

Housing Surprise

OTTAWA (CP) — Confounding many housing experts, the building industry exceeded the federal housing production target for 1975.

The Central Mortgage and Housing Corp. (CMHC) said in a statement today that preliminary figures indicate

builders began more than 230,000 units last year. The government's minimum goal was 210,000. The 1974 total was 222,123 units.

After a sluggish start that worried federal housing officials, the industry bounced back with a strong showing in the second half of the year.

Tribal Holdings Probed

Duncan RCMP have launched an investigation into financial dealings of the Cowichan Tribal Holdings, a public company being set up by the Chemainus and Quamichan Tribal councils.

Indian spokesman Larry Seymour said today that police entered two reserve

houses about 9:30 a.m. with search warrants.

He said the investigation follows three days of tribal council talks on economic ventures planned for the company which would give all persons on the reserve one share in the company.

Seymour earlier charged the government with going back on a commitment to back the economic ventures of Indians.

RCMP in Duncan report an investigation is in progress, but declined to give further information.

the weather

A system moving from the Pacific will bring more rain to the south coast today and a chance of freezing rain to the southern interior. This system is likely to begin a slow warming trend to inland regions tomorrow.

DOMINION PUBLIC WEATHER OFFICE 10 A.M. FORECASTS
Valid Until Midnight Thursday

Greater Victoria: Periods of rain turning cloudy with a few showers. Highs today and Thursday near 5. Lows tonight near 2.

Greater Vancouver, East Vancouver Island: Periods of rain occasionally mixed with snow at higher levels becoming cloudy with a few showers. Highs today and Thursday near 5, lows tonight near 2.

Lower Mainland: Snow changing to rain. Chance of freezing rain in eastern valleys tonight and Thursday. Cloudy with a few showers. Highs today 2 to 4, lows tonight near zero. Highs Thursday near 5.

North and West Coast Vancouver Island: Tonight and Thursday, cloudy with showers. Highs today and Thursday near 5, lows tonight near 2.

TEMPERATURES
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Nanaimo 6 3 —
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Victoria 6 2 3.3

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Calgary	-26	-30 trace
Pr. Albert	-30	-32 —
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Yorkton	-29	-32 trace
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Thompson	-30	-32 trace
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Estevan	-25	-32 .3
Brandon	-27	-33 trace
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Thunder Bay	-9	-30 2.0
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Dauphin	-28	-31 —
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Toronto	-1	-3 2.3
Ottawa	-5	-7 trace
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Sunshine January	12.1 hrs.	
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NDP Furore After Socreds Sack 7 Office Workers

By LINDA HUGHES
Times Staff

The Social Credit government has moved to reduce the office staffs of the opposition parties and NDP members are hopping mad after the laying off of seven secretaries.

A government memo circulated to opposition parties Tuesday states that party caucuses are not entitled to hire any staff beyond those strictly allotted for in budget estimates.

But acting NDP whip Graham Lea said Premier Bennett made an agreement with outgoing premier Dave Barrett before the government changed hands to continue the

practice of allowing each MLA a secretary in Victoria if needed.

Barrett today refused comment on the issue.

On that basis seven secretaries had been hired already and others promised jobs by the NDP.

Tory leader Scott Wallace kept on an additional secretary in his office as did Liberal leader Gordon Gibson.

Liberal party administrative assistant Gerry Kristianson said this morning the directive "has all the earmarks of the Socreds trying to muzzle the opposition."

He questioned the propriety of Campbell, a non-elected official, making such an an-

nouncement in the first place.

He noted the staffing directive would give the 20 Socred backbenchers a support staff of seven, while the NDP, with their 19-member caucus would have to share a staff complement of only three. "It's an unfair proportion," he declared.

Lea said he sent home his secretaries Tuesday after receiving the memo and Wallace said he doesn't know what to do about his extra secretary.

Under the budget estimates, the Socred government caucus is allowed seven assistants and secretaries; the NDP caucus three; the Liberals and Tories two each.

Dan Campbell, who sent the memo under the title of "chairman of the special committee on legislative vote 1," said Bennett appointed him to head the committee to study staff requirements of the caucus. A finance department civil servant and Speaker-designate Ed Smith are also on the committee.

The committee will recommend to cabinet what staff should be allowed for each party, said Campbell, and the memo was only a reminder that there is no entitlement to hire beyond the 14 outlined in estimates.

He was vague, however, on what he expected the opposition parties to do about others

already hired above that allotment.

"I can't see myself suggesting that people hired in good faith be fired but I'm suggesting that the practice should not be continued," he said.

Lea showed reporters a June 26, 1975, memo from former Speaker Gordon Dowding saying that any MLA who needed full or part-time secretarial help on a permanent basis would be allowed to hire someone through his office.

(Previously, additional secretarial help was only available during the legislative session.)

Lea said when Barrett met with Bennett during the in-

terim period before the change of government, the new premier promised MLAs would be allowed to keep their Victoria secretarial help as well as their constituency secretaries.

Bennett Tuesday denied ever making that agreement and said he didn't want the issue to be "blown out of proportion."

"Not only was there no agreement but I don't recall such a conversation at all," said Bennett.

Barrett would not comment on the subject but Lea said the agreement between the two men was heard by Barrett's assistant John Wood and deputy provincial secre-

tary Lawrie Wallace.

Bennett called Campbell's review of the secretarial staffs a "normal" procedure and part of the new government's attempt to keep within its budget.

Besides denying he ever made Barrett a promise, other than that dealing with the handling of the outgoing premier's own staff, Bennett said he had no knowledge of the former government's practice of allowing additional secretaries.

He said he wasn't aware the Socred opposition had any more than the three staff members allowed for in the budget.

Campbell said, however,

that the Socreds did have four additional staff members above the standard three.

Wallace said he normally is allowed a research assistant and a secretary but during the session had had an additional secretary and following the June 26 memo kept her on full-time.

Wallace said he is more upset about the principle of the issue since Campbell should not have any authority over spending by the legislature.

"It's an incredible switch of authority that a non-elected Social Credit party member should be telling the Speaker what to do with his vote," said Wallace.

capital scene

The Minus One Club will sponsor a dance Friday, Jan. 9, at the Elk's Hall at 9 p.m.

Canadian National Railway Pensioners' Association will meet Friday, Jan. 9, 2 p.m., 941 Pandora Ave.

Victoria Council 1236, Knights of Columbus, will meet Thursday, Jan. 8, 8 p.m., 1012 Pandora Ave.

The Thermopylae Club will meet at the Maritime Museum on Wednesday, Jan. 14, at 8 p.m.

The OAPO, Evergreen branch will meet Friday, Jan. 9, 2 p.m. at the Silver Threads Centre.

A one-hour slide tour of Rome will be presented in Christ Church Cathedral, Quadra at Rockland, tonight at 8. The presentation, entitled Visit Rome with the Dean in Holy Year, will be given by Dean Brian Whitlow. Admission is free but a collection will be taken to form a fund for the Cathedral's altar servers' guild visit to Europe in two years time.

More Retaliatory Killings Pledged By Embittered Ulster Protestants

BELFAST (AP)—Protestant leaders are threatening a military offensive against the Irish Republican Army and a general strike in retaliation for the ambush killing of 10 Protestant workmen in the South Armagh area.

Militant Protestants met Tuesday with Merlyn Rees, the British government's secretary for Northern Ireland, but he rejected their demands that the government crack

down on the IRA in South Armagh, a stronghold of the Roman Catholic guerrillas.

Glen Barr of the Loyalist Army Council, which says it has 80,000 armed Protestants in paramilitary organizations, told reporters: "Unless Rees can come up with something, the paramilitarists will have to go on the offensive." That would inevitably mean clashes also with the British Army.

Rev. Ian Paisley said the Ulster Workers' Council may call a general strike, the technique it used in 1974 to wreck a coalition government of moderate Protestants and Catholics.

For the moment, the cycle of retaliatory killing was halted, following the murder of five Roman Catholics Sunday and the 10 Protestants Monday, all in South Armagh. But Northern Ireland was tense with anticipation of a large-scale renewal of the Protestant-Catholic fighting in which more than 1,400 persons have died since August 1969.

The British army moved its crack 600-man Spearhead Battalion over from Britain, along with a squadron of armored "personnel carriers" from West Germany.

The reinforcements raised British army strength in Northern Ireland to 15,200 men. That is 6,400 less than the troops with which the army launched its last major offensive against the IRA in July 1972.

Barr indicated that the private Protestant militias will not decide whether to take to the streets against the IRA

until the British government announces its response to a recommendation by the Protestant-dominated Constitutional Convention that majority—meaning Protestant—rule be restored in Northern Ireland.

Rees is expected to announce London's rejection of that next week.

KIDNAPPERS OFFER TO SWAP HOSTAGE

PARIS (UPI)—The abductors of record tycoon Louis Hazan offered today to trade their hostage for the release of two fellow kidnappers captured earlier by police.

Shortly after the offer was made, police said they had arrested a third member of the blue-jeaned kidnapping gang.

Police sources indicated they would not agree to the offer.

A police spokesman said officers had "formally identified the two men" arrested when they attempted to pickup the \$3.5 million ransom Tuesday night.

If a telephone call the gunmen said their 53-year-old

hostage was in good health but in bad need of drugs for stomach cramps.

PLUG-IN PHONES FOR CITY

Victoria telephone exchanges are slowly being converted to a plug-in system and by 1977 the city will have its own Phone-Mart store where customers can go to pick up or exchange their own telephone equipment. (See also Page 9)

Already, the "38" exchanges in Victoria are being converted to the system which allows installation of several phone jacks in each home, with a portable phone which plugs into any of the jacks and can be moved from one to another.

A B.C. Telephone Co. spokesman said acceptance of the system has been good in Vancouver's West End where there are now 23,000 plug-in phones.

The plug-ins are quicker to hook up because B.C. Tel does all the necessary switching at its downtown head-

quarters and the phone can be in working order in a day or less.

In a home already fitted with plug-in outlets, it costs \$10 to have the service connected or changed, compared to the normal \$16.50 hook-up charge.

But the Federation of Telephone Workers of B.C., the union representing B.C. Tel employees, has expressed opposition to the scheme, saying it is a safety hazard.

A union spokesman said all homes should have at least one tied-down phone which cannot be disconnected so that in case of emergency time is not wasted trying to find the phone to plug it in.

The company has assured the union, a spokesman said, that the new system, with customers in effect installing their own phones, will not mean less work for union employees.

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Crisis in the Municipalities

The news this week from British Columbia municipalities is not good. In few municipalities have mayors been able to adopt an optimistic tone in their 1976 inaugural addresses. Twenty per cent seems to be the average property tax increase mooted by mayors.

It doesn't seem to matter whether the municipality is old and established with most standard services all in place, or whether it is bursting at its boundaries with new growth. Victoria mayor Mike Young said a 27 per cent property tax increase may occur this year. North Vancouver district's preliminary budget figures, says Mayor Ron Andrews, indicate a prohibitive 28 per cent jump.

Several observations can be made about this fiscal cliffhanger. One is that Premier Bill Bennett should proceed quickly as possible with his revenue-sharing campaign promise to municipalities. The time when the property tax could pay for the multitude of services municipalities now provide passed long ago. It's time to get back to an old but sound principle of municipal taxation — only services to property should be paid out of property taxes.

Both the governing Social Credit party and the opposition New Democrats have committed

themselves in the recent past to lifting the school tax burden from property. Now, an independent committee of experts is examining the whole question of property taxation and assessment procedures. It should be encouraged to complete its work quickly, and to present the government with an interim report, if possible, recommending some possible short-term solutions to the crisis.

Mayors Young of Victoria and Brian Smith of Oak Bay are absolutely correct in raising — again — the issue of the province's failure to pay the equivalent of full property tax rates in the provincial capital. This hits Victoria particularly hard, and it is going to get worse with several big new office buildings housing provincial civil servants opening in the next two or three years. All will require the same services as a commercial office tower, but the property taxes paid on them will be much lower. It is an unfair situation. Now, in its various rented accommodation around the city, the province is indirectly paying full property taxes. Why should it not do the same with its own buildings?

But the crisis in civic finances has also produced some curious examples of municipal myopia as well. Mayor Smith of Oak Bay for example, while sternly declaring that the municipality faced grim

times, also warns against losing any traditional municipal independence. Confronted with a great white shark (Jim Campbell and the capital regional district) Smith worries aloud about disappearing "into the jaws of overly voracious regionalization."

There is little danger that a community with such a distinct and different self-image as Oak Bay will be swallowed up by some faceless metropolitan blending machine and spat out as a mail order municipality like all the rest.

If things are as grim as the mayor tells Oak Bay residents, then the idea of amalgamation of services in the capital district should be examined realistically, not resolutely ignored. Why talk of cheese-paring in the parks or on garbage collection when amalgamation could produce significant economies of scale?

The regions and neighborhoods of Toronto have not turned into interchangeable units with metropolitan government. On the contrary, they have flourished. Some B.C. mayors and aldermen (at least in the Victoria and Vancouver regions) might profitably look to the same system to provide a partial solution to their fiscal miseries, instead of perpetuating regional jealousies and watching for devious designs on local securities, real or imaginary.

At Last, A Choice!

A group in California has come up with an election proposal to gladden the hearts of political cynics everywhere, along with those fed up with choosing between the lesser evils on their ballots. Nihilists and anarchists, rejoice — you soon may have a choice.

The Committee for None of the Above, sponsored by the Libertarian Party, wants a box on ballots and a lever on voting machines where citizens could register their disapproval of all the candidates running — incumbents, chal-

lengers, dark horses, longshots, cranks, kooks and phonies.

Then if "none of the above" got the most votes, the office would be declared vacant, to be filled by special election or appointment. None of the rejects could run again or be appointed.

While the proposal is more attractive in the U.S. where almost every election is a two-man contest between increasingly similar Democratic and Republican parties, it has appealing qualities for Canada, too, where the voter has three, four and sometimes five candidates to choose from.

In the last federal election, for

example, it would have been a handy rebuke to the no-controls Liberals, freeze-everything Tories, it-doesn't matter NDP, the funny-money Socreds and assorted far-left extremists. Events have shown that people who voted one way in that election were actually voting for a party which later reversed its central policy plank anyway.

And in the last provincial election, given the track records of the two main parties and the ineffectuality of the two old-line splinter groups, who's to say "none of the above" wouldn't have won a sweeping majority in British Columbia?

RICHARD GWYN

Trudeau—Politician of Gestures

OTTAWA — Election campaigns aside, Canadians have seen more of Pierre Elliott Trudeau during recent weeks than at any period of his term of office except during the very early days when he was fresh and trendy.

Trudeau has been visible in the literal sense of the word. Twice he has made special appearances on national television. He has made more than a dozen major public speeches in support of price and income controls. He has given a spate of press interviews, the most notable among them the remarkable one-hour session with the CTV network.

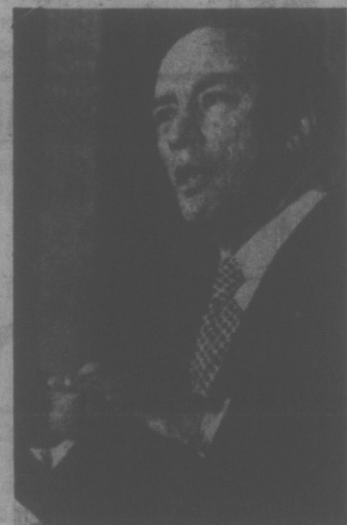
Trudeau has been visible also in a substantive way. In recent weeks, he has revealed more new aspects to his character—or, more accurately, has redefined old traits—than he has done in a long time.

Take, for example, Trudeau's emergence as the politician of the gesture. Once Trudeau strolled in his image as the hair-shirted intellectual, the supreme rationalist, the objective technocrat.

Right through last summer—his indoor swimming pool as one example, the \$6,000 raises for senior civil servants as another—Trudeau dismissed as "meaningless" all demands that he lead the public by personal example.

of a lone-wolf professor and writer of elegant but little-read prose, possesses one of the prime characteristics of almost all successful executives—the capability never to second-guess himself. Trudeau, it now is apparent, is able not so much to take tough decisions (he proved that, right or wrong, during the October, 1970, crisis) as to be quite unbothered if the decision he does take should turn out to be wrong.

Never to cast an embarrassed glance backwards demands a certain ruthlessness and a certain cynicism. It



PIERRE TRUDEAU

... not one to glance back

does, though, save a great deal of energy. During the entire controls program, Trudeau has never once bothered, in public or in private, to apologize or to explain for completely reversing the anti-controls program he sold to the public during the 1974 election campaign. Consistency is for losers, and for professors and writers.

Lastly, Trudeau's candor. He always has been outspoken to a degree quite unusual among political leaders. Today, though, Trudeau seems to be becoming

more and more the outspoken professor just at the same time as he is becoming more and more the calculating politician.

In the CTV interview, Trudeau indulged in a practice that few politicians would dare to engage in—he thought out loud, without really knowing where he wanted his own thoughts to go. The habit always gets him into trouble. This time, businessmen worried that Trudeau's "new society" meant the death of private enterprise. Some commentators discerned a plot to transform the country into a corporate state.

The truth, more prosaic, is that as Trudeau said: "There is no master plan in my mind." There isn't. Indeed, some cabinet studies which aim at increasing competitiveness in the marketplace contradict Trudeau's musings about the inadequacies of the market economy.

Trudeau instead was playing back to the public—much as he did in 1969 with his then-famous speech about "genetic engineering"—some ideas and impressions gleaned from his current readings. His favourite author these days is the Canadian-born economist John Kenneth Galbraith.

Small Is Beautiful?

Among the books on Trudeau's to-read-next-list is economist E. F. Schumacher's *Small Is Beautiful*. This fact is both interesting and surprising. It is surprising because Trudeau is a late-comer to Schumacher who for well over a year has been a cult figure to trend-setting politicians such as Governor Jerry Brown of California. It is interesting because Schumacher's entire argument on behalf of small-scale economics contradicts Trudeau's advocacy, during the CTV interview at least, of bigness in corporations, unions and government.

Trudeau's speeches, and television interviews, once he has read Schumacher, thus may change. By what he has revealed about himself, Trudeau has, however, provided the keys to understanding. First, he will only be thinking out loud. Second, if he later changes his mind, so what. Third, wait for the signal of a personal gesture before you take anything too seriously.



"... officer, I'd like to report a hit and run case ... Pat McGeer in Hawaii ..."

Letters

Bleeding the Public

After reading Dr. Pat McGeer's statement in Friday's Times, *Shock Rise in Auto Rates*, we were in fact shocked by the serious discrepancies apparent in the article.

The \$181 million deficit that the government must recover is not money that we tax-paying automobile-owners owe the government. ICBC, after all, was established to provide insurance at reasonable rates. Granted, it was not proposed at the inauguration of the plan that it would ultimately require an \$181 million subsidy. However, the error was administrative and must be rectified by the administration in a viable way. Charging the individual the price of three years insurance coverage for a one-year policy as Dr. McGeer proposes just doesn't seem too sound! But then, perhaps our government forgets that it isn't a separate and self-sufficient corporation but a group of people hired by ballot to function in our service and administer our finances.

Surely there are better means of balancing ICBC's books than bleeding the public. Dr. McGeer's thoughts have become a little cloudy. He says the NDP showed bad faith in not transferring revenue from gas tax and auto licences, but also says that the Socred cabinet resolved not to subsidize ICBC with same. "Bad faith" for the NDP but good business for the Socreds?

Another bone of contention concerns privately owned insurance companies. Dr. McGeer indicates that he would like to see the services of private auto insurance companies resumed in B.C. by March 1, 1977, competing for optional rather than basic coverage. It would seem that he is intimating the return of private enterprise to the auto insurance business. Ah, we say.

So why keep ICBC at all since its supposed function is to provide insurance at reasonable rates? Obviously, as Dr. McGeer himself said, to cut out the possibility of competitive insurance rates. Nothing like a little government monopoly to get the machinery going to soak the public. Unfortunately it is a rather perversely dictatorial use of a government-owned business supposedly established for our benefit.

Dr. McGeer and his cronies owe us an explanation. Or at least they had better perfect their propaganda techniques. We're still thinking out here!—Donna Zapf, Irene Schon, Bill Sample, 2886 Parkview Drive.

New Dictator

The increased car insurance rates are a direct result of ICBC's deficit last year. Competing insurance companies have no such deficit. They therefore should be able to provide insurance at their former rates. In his pre-election speeches, the premier promised the people of this province the option of choice in buying car insurance. If he has revoked this, we have elected a dictator in free enterprise clothing.—A Free Enterpriser.

Blowing Smoke Rings

No need for the Socreds to blow smoke-rings around ICBC deficits to fog the \$850 million Columbia treaty flow-away.

Better to view B.C.'s Autoplan depots. They are lumped with wrecks and write-offs wheeled in by erratic, devil-may-care drivers. Therein lies much of the blame for ICBC's dollar-drain.

Keep ICBC out of private hands and keep insurance dollars within the province. Keep ICBC solvent by clouting the wallets of the reckless and drinking drivers. Put the wild-wheelers off the road. Permanently. "No-fault" insurance is nonsense. Make all and sundry responsible.

License drivers on their 25th birthday, unless responsible driving is proven beforehand.

Give traffic officers free hands, sans



Head-on collision — Pat McGeer vs. B.C. drivers?

velvet gloves. Increase highway budgets and personnel. Laws with teeth will save lives and almighty insurance dollars.

Crack down harder on all traffic offenders. Who is happy with the blood-and-gore carnage on our car trails? Ask the mother of a traffic-mangled baby.

Get back our \$850 million from the Columbia fiasco. Add up government gas tax revenue. Plough the whole knobble into roads and auto insurance.

Don't be run off the road by old-line Socred political ploys. A people's government here in Victoria.—Ernie Smith, 3908 Bear Street.

Passing the Buck

I am compelled to write this letter regarding ICBC, while my rising blood pressure still allows me to write at all.

The estimated loss of ICBC of \$181 million may be real, but the audacity of the Social Credit government to recover that loss by possibly more than doubling the insurance premiums from last year is outright criminal.

I have totally rejected the conception of ICBC by the NDP for the simple reason that any monopoly — especially government-controlled — cannot beat free competition.

Now the new government, whose election was primarily won by their platform of so-called free enterprise, hits me below the belt.

I am not a political aspirant nor am I an insurance agent. I am a working man with an impeccable driving record, who actually paid less for car insurance before ICBC came into effect.

Having voted for neither party, I say: Damn the NDP who conceived ICBC, damn Social Credit who are passing the buck now, and to hell with the ICBC altogether.

We are a two-car family by choice — it looks that we might be a one-car family by necessity. — H. Laetzer 2532 Asquith Street.

The Real World

Hey — what happened? That rotten Bennett was supposed to pay off all the car dealers who supported him not hit them in the teeth with ICBC increases!

What was that Mr. Barrett said? Oh, he's paying off the insurance companies, not the car dealers. Well, Dave should know about pay-offs — it took him three years to stop paying off his supporters and bring in legislation that faced the facts of real life rather than catering to political expediency.

I suspect that Mr. Bennett is paying off the repair shops — whose bills Mr. Barrett refused to pay in full — and the staff of ICBC — whose wages Mr. Barrett agreed to inflate. And I also suspect that both provincially and federally, 1976 will see a lot of tough, unpleasant decision like this ICBC blockbuster. We have been living beyond our means for far too long, and the process of readjustment to the real world is going to be very uncomfortable. — M. C. Hall-Patch, 2843 Cavendish Avenue.

Marie Paraphrased

When all the dust has settled over ICBC, let us remember one simple fact, all that the people of B.C. wanted was auto insurance at cost, no subsidy, no grants, just at cost.

What went wrong? It was attacked by free enterprise zealots with a fervor that was awesome to behold. It was sabotaged by insurance companies and agents who saw a lucrative means of screwing the public disappear. It was abused by auto body firms who continually cry "poverty." It was made seriously ill by a senselessly long strike.

It was ripped off by some members of the public who saw a means of turning a quick profit.

Poor ICBC! There was no way it could fulfill its original intentions, given all these blows.

Now we see Dr. McGeer showing the real colors of those with whom he now works. His statement ("Let them sell their cars.") is remarkably like that famous statement of Marie Antoinette: "Let them eat cake." After all these centuries, that is the only thing we remember of that infamous queen of Europe's most decadent and degenerate rulers.

Is this Dr. McGeer's fate? — Margaret A. Smith, Ladysmith.

60 YEARS AGO

From the Times of January 7, 1916

The result of the biggest mining suit in the province which was recently heard in Victoria is a sweeping victory for the plaintiffs, the Pacific Coast Coal Mines Ltd. and the eastern shareholders over the Arbutnot syndicate. A bond issue of \$1.5 million authorized by the legislature in 1911 is declared invalid. In the amount voted to themselves by the syndicate in payment for coal stakings, Mr. Justice Clement finds that an enormous secret profit is contained. The 1,050 shares in the company, worth \$105,000, which were given to the late Provincial Secretary Dr. Henry E. Young, the court includes in this illegal issue and orders them returned to the firm. Mr. Justice Clement says he doesn't believe the whole truth has been spoken about "this unsavory transaction" and says the supposed motive for a gift of \$105,000 to Dr. Young — old friendship — is "altogether too weak to inspire belief in any but the most credulous."

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The Day of the Fishing Super-Trawler May Be Over

By PETER HJUL
Manchester Guardian

For two weeks last August, the 363-ft-long factory stern trawler Gorizont was the largest of 10 Russian-built fishing ships on show at an exhibition in Leningrad. Dressed with flags and gleaming in fresh paint, she was presented as an example of a new generation of high powered, high capacity supertrawlers introduced to maintain a yearly catch of nine million tons.

Three months later the Gorizont was lying upside down in 40 fathoms of water, sunk in the English Channel after a collision with a Moroccan cargo ship. Built in a western shipyard, the Gorizont would cost \$10 to \$12 million. Her engines of 7,000 h.p. made her the most powerful trawler afloat. She had winches with drums able to take nearly two miles of wire rope to work deepwater nets down to a mile or more. Her factory deck crew working in eight hour shifts used a range of machines capable of turning over 100 tons of fish a day into frozen fillets and whole fish, canned products, fish meal, and industrial and medicine oils. To find this fish and navigate the ship in remote areas, her wheelhouse was packed with more electronic instruments than would be found in a modern passenger liner.

The loss of all this is a blow to Soviet fishing made more serious by the fact that the Gorizont was probably the forerunner of a class of similar ships and the experience of operating her would be needed to ensure the design was a good one for series building. To fishing vessel owners all over the world, her loss might also be seen as a portent of the fate of a class of trawler whose day might already have come and gone, and of a fleet grown too big and cumbersome to adjust to the changes now taking place in the ocean-wide hunting of fish.

The long-range factory stern trawler was pioneered in Britain 35 years ago when the Salvesen whaling company, in cooperation with Torry Research Station in Aberdeen, developed the Fairtry class ships. The Fairtrys were never an economic success but they proved the concept of ships able both to catch and process their fish and hold it



Big Soviet trawler in fishing grounds off New England

frozen for long periods. The Soviet industry was then just starting to venture in large-scale expedition fishing to distant waters. Headed by Alexander Ishkov, then as now Minister of Fisheries in the USSR, it persuaded economic planners that quality protein for the Russian people could be obtained relatively cheaply from the sea.

The Fairtry design was eagerly taken up. The first 24 trawlers were built between 1954 and 1956 in West Germany. Hundreds more to similar designs followed from Russian yards, and from Poland and East Germany. It was claimed that in 1974 fishing accounted for 26.6 per cent of the capital investment in the national food processing industry.

From this investment the industry has built up a processing and distribution network supplying four million tons of food fish

products from the yearly catch. Most of this is taken from the sea by a fleet, which in 1975, was estimated to contain nearly four in every five of all the world's fish factory ships and transports and half of all the large trawlers exceeding 1,000 tons.

Within this monster fleet are more than 800 factory-type stern trawlers, most of them based on the early Fairtry design which was long ago superseded in other countries by more advanced ships. These now-obsolete trawlers have been a very important part of the Soviet distant water catching effort and the diminishing returns from them have been causing increasing anxiety as the fishing industry has been feeding its expectations and needs into the Tenth Five-Year Plan (1976-80).

"During this plan period," said Alexander

Ishkov in Leningrad, "we intend to renew the fishing and refrigeration fleet, to create big processing complexes on the sites of consumption, and to keep developing fish breeding."

But there may be economic planners in the Soviet Union who have the same doubts as most fishing people over whether even the efficiency of the super-trawler can keep producing the present Soviet catch from heavily fished grounds, and from the areas left after coastal countries inevitably claim 200-mile economic zones. Today the trend in commercial fishing is away from high-powered expedition operations in distant waters, and the very big trawler has become a hunting machine too costly to build and operate on any but the most readily available and popular species. Companies which depend on profits are also learning, as the dispute with Iceland is showing Britain, that countries with rich fish stocks off their coasts are becoming more and more determined to protect them.

All over the world the high sea options are contracting. Fishing inside economic zones may be allowed for limited periods but many agreements may be like that between Iceland and West Germany which rules out factory trawlers. These ships could become the pariahs of the oceans, tightly restricted when permitted into coastal waters and scratching outside them for deepwater species, small surface swimming fish, and the three to four inch long crustacean known as the krill. This is hugely abundant in the colder waters and is the food of the great baleen whales. The Russians and the Japanese have been test fishing it but results so far indicate that a commercial krill fishery will be a very long time developing to the 30 million tons (and even 100 million tons) a year harvest that its supporters predict for it.

However, another suggestion for using krill has come from the Pacific coast of the United States, and this ties in with what could be one of the most exciting developments ever in the replacement of stocks depleted by hunting, pollution and other man-made causes. For more than 100 years attempts have been made to augment stocks of North Pacific and North Atlantic salmon by artificial methods. The techniques are now well developed and are at various levels of

application in most of the countries that have salmon in their rivers and catch them commercially or for sport. In the past 20 years progress in these techniques, particularly egg incubation and hatching and raising the tiny fry through their vulnerable early stages, has been so encouraging that many people engaged in this work have been looking beyond the mere restoration of salmon stock to their pre-industrial abundance.

Over 20 years the U.S.S.R. has built up a chain of hatcheries on the Kurile Islands, on Sakhalin and Kamchatka in the Soviet Far East; the yearly release of young salmon is about 60 million fish, and the Pacific salmon have also been successfully transplanted into the Arctic Ocean off Murmansk. Canada, after abandoning hatcheries in 1935, revived them in the 1960s. The results have been so encouraging that a government study is being carried out to prepare a \$300 million 10-year program intended to double the value of the British Columbia salmon harvest through hatcheries, spawning channels and other methods.

In the American Pacific coast states up to Alaska, many salmon rearing projects are in progress. And it is from experience of these that an oceanographer, Dr. Timothy Joyner, has proposed a way both of using krill and of vastly expanding the natural sea range area for salmon. He believes that some of the species of Pacific salmon could be raised in hatcheries set up on the tip of South America and perhaps the Falkland Islands and released to feed and grow on krill in the Southern Ocean. The salmon in effect would replace the depleted whales and the expensive factory ships as a converter of krill into a nutritious and easily marketable protein food.

Dr. Joyner is now engaged on a study for a project which would include setting up a large-scale test hatchery in the far south of Chile and releasing sufficient young salmon to give a fair indication whether the water of the Antarctic could support populations of perhaps hundreds of thousands of tons of valuable fish. He argues convincingly for the creation of a new internationally managed open-range salmon fishery in these presently underutilized waters.

'Stronger Unions Would Mean Fewer Strikes'

By JOHN MUNRO

I am frequently asked what government is going to do about the trade unions. The problem as (some people) see it is that some unions, or their leaders, or both, have gone berserk; labor is too powerful.

A risk of sounding provocative, I am going to express the opinion here that, on the contrary, a major cause of industrial strife and unrest in all their recent manifestations in Canada is simply that many of our trade unions are not strong enough.

Canada would enjoy a much greater measure of industrial peace, we would have a better distribution of national income, and we would have a more democratic society — if a greater percentage of Canadian workers were organized in the trade union movement and if trade unions were stronger, not weaker.

Where there's a mutually respected relationship between employer and trade union, management and workers do well together. In industries where the employer has the lion's share of bargaining power (or where there's no trade union at all), that's typically where we have some of the lowest-paid employees and some of the worst employment conditions. Just check the record.

There are some notable exceptions, of course, but generally this is the rule.

Where trade unions have been able to tip the balance of power decisively in their favor, we've seen some of the most flagrant examples of bargaining, which in turn has contributed to some painful distortions in wage structure for entire industries.

Likewise, industries with strong trade unions are usually the ones where we have the least loss of time due to disputes.

Strong trade unions bargain for good collective agreements and keep their members at work. Strikes can take place, but only in exceptional cases. Conversely, where there are weak unions — whether these unions be large or small in membership — we are experiencing some of the greatest man-hour losses in our history. A weak union is one whose members are badly divided, and whose leaders are demoralized by lack of solidarity.

Despite the general acceptance among unions and employers that collective bargaining, while not a perfect system, is the best that's been devised, it is also agreed that the system could be vastly improved.

(From a speech delivered by the federal minister of labor recently to the chamber of commerce in Fredericton, N.B.)

As it is now practised, the bargaining system is quite irrational in its structure. One employer may have half a dozen trade unions, and an industry may have many more — each of them capable of disrupting services or production.

The system is also irrational in its results. Invariably, the rewards go to the strong. A union which holds a juggernaut position in the productive pipeline can extract more from the employer or group of employers than a union which does not hold such a strategic position.

Likewise, an employer or a group of employers who have the ability to build up a considerable inventory before a collective agreement expires can force even a determined trade union to the wall.

There is a growing body of opinion that we should be moving in the direction that would preserve collective bargaining by minimizing the adversarial element in labor-management relations to the greatest possible extent.

Government, management and labor are together in the collective bargaining relationship, and the three parties, working together, must find the better way to make the system work.

This was the approach we had in mind when we invited labor and management, nearly a year ago, to join with government in formulating a tripartite body to examine the present condition of the collective bargaining system. Together we set up a national council, and for want of a better name we called it the Canada Labor Relations Council.

Each of the parties has nominated eight representatives from their own ranks.

One of the specific goals we have set for ourselves is the identification of the adversarial elements in collective bargaining and how they can be minimized or even eliminated.

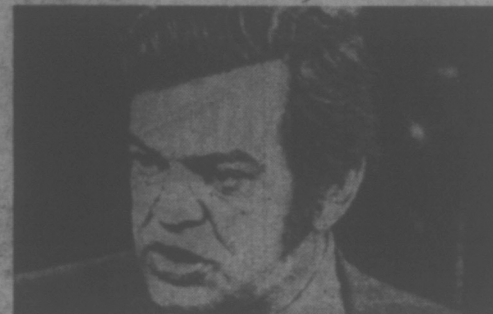
Business people like yourselves, and others, have repeatedly told me they are envious of the relative labor tranquility and productivity

of a Sweden or a West Germany.

It is worthwhile reminding you that nearly everybody in the Swedish labor force is a member of a trade union, and that the structure of the labor movement in West Germany after the Second World War was designed by legislation so as to compel industry-wide bargaining in 30 to 35 highly

centralized industry-union groupings.

I'm not proposing that we slavishly adopt the solutions of any other country, but quite obviously strong trade unions have been part and parcel of the industrial relations system in at least two of the countries showing a good track record in industrial peace.



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Your Telephone Loves You

The origin of Everett King's downfall is uncertain. Very likely it began when he was a nursing baby and had the bottle torn from his mouth when the telephone summoned his mother to cease all activity and answer it at once.

"Hell," she said.

"Is this Ernie's Meat Market?" asked the telephone.

"I'm sick and tired of you people calling this number for Ernie's Meat Market," his mother said. "Ernie's is HOCHKISS 7177. This is HOCHKISS 7177." She slammed down the phone and returned to the bottle. An instant later, the phone rang again. Again the nipple was wrenched from the tender lips.

"Ernie's Meat Market?" inquired the telephone.

Everett King's mother delivered a tirade, in the course of which she threw Everett's meat out the window. Can we doubt that Everett's destiny was sealed on that day?

We know little of the formative years, but telephone-company records tell us Everett married, at age 24, a slatternly blond woman with poor credit references and sloppy housekeeping habits, and shortly afterward acquired his first telephone. Soon the Bell System was receiving alarming reports that Everett was not answering his telephone when it rang. Investigators were dispatched. "Don't you like your telephone?" they asked Everett.

"My telephone is out to get me," Everett told them.

"Nonsense," they assured him.

"Your telephone is your friend. Your telephone loves you." The phone rang while they were there, and Everett did not run to answer it.

"Your telephone is calling you," they said. "Go and answer it."

"Why should I interrupt my conversation simply because an imbecilic piece of machinery tries to butt in?" Everett asked.

"It may be important," said the investigators. "Let us answer it." And they did. The telephone announced that



Everett had just won a free dancing lesson, but Everett refused to come to the telephone and receive its congratulations.

Three years later, Everett mutilated a Princess telephone in his living room. We know few facts. We know that Everett had told his wife to sit down for a serious talk. We know he had told her he was planning to leave her for poor credit and sloppy housekeeping. We know he had produced a pistol and stated that the breakup of their marriage had demoralized him so that he could not bear to go on. We know he had placed the barrel to his head.

At that moment, the telephone rang. Everett's wife jumped up. "Wait until I get the telephone, will you, Everett?" she said.

For whatever reason, Everett did not wait. Nor did he shoot himself. Instead, he seized a butcher knife, dashed to the phone, picked it up, shouting, "No, I don't want to buy any condominiums in Arkansas," and slashed the telephone from earpiece to mouthpiece.

Six months later, he was dismissed from his job. As Bell investigators tell the story, he had gone to his boss's desk to discuss an urgent work problem and was in the middle of a complex explanation when the boss's telephone rang.

"Wait until I get the telephone," the boss said.

For whatever reason, Everett replied by seizing the telephone, strangling it with his bare hands, then dashing its limp corpse on the boss's desk.

"Are you insane, treating a telephone that way?" asked his horror-

stricken boss. Everett was arrested, but never booked because the desk officer's telephone at the police station rang immediately after he was hauled in and the conversation lasted so long that the desk officer forgot what Everett was supposed to be charged with.

Everett disappeared from the annals of crime for several years, although Bell detectives now believe he may have been behind thousands of nuisances committed against pay-phone booths in the late 1960's and early 1970's.

Recently, however, having amassed a fabulous fortune in Middle East oil, Greek shipping and political bribery, he surfaced in the office of Adkins Broom, legendary tycoon of Gerald Amalgamated.

He had come to discuss final plans for consolidating Amalgamated and a consortium of Middle Eastern and African nations Everett had acquired while dabbling in international stock watering. As these two giants — Everett King and Adkins Broom — faced each other across the desk, Everett said, "It's time to talk turkey," and, immediately, the telephone rang.

"Wait until I get the telephone, will you, Everett?" said Adkins Broom. Those were the last words he uttered. His crushed body was found on the desk 20 minutes later.

Everett King was convicted on the testimony of Broom's telephone, which told the full story. When Everett rose in court to cross-examine the telephone, it interrupted him with its characteristic ring. "Answer it," the judge ordered. Everett balked. "We can't just let it ring," said the judge, answering it himself.

"No," said the judge. "No. No, this is not Ernie's Meat Market." Everett had to be subdued and strait-jacketed. Adjudged unfit for prison, he was placed in an asylum. The doctors would like to analyze him closely, but they have to keep answering the telephone.

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Police 'Bug' Employed During Break-In Probe

Police used a bug at a Victoria hotel in the fall of 1974 during their investigation of a break-in and theft at the King John Inn, 2668 Sooke Road, county court was told Tuesday.

Const. Wendal Milne of Colwood RCMP was testifying under cross-examination at the trial of Larry Allan Preston, accused of two counts of breaking and entering and theft and one count of possession of stolen property worth more than \$200 in November, 1974.

Milne, questioned by defence counsel Bruce McConnan, said there was a bug in a room at the Tally-Ho Motel in which police found Preston, along with a man and a woman.

He said he wasn't the interceptor and believed it was Sgt. Einar Hemstad of Victoria police and Const. Bob Wall of the RCMP.

Milne said he didn't hear any tapes but did get information from Wall or Hemstad.

Asked if he was involved in the authorization of the bug, he said "no, I believe again this was done by Wall and Hemstad."

Milne said police seized a rent-a-car receipt from the man in the Tally-Ho room and found keys to a car in which they located several bars, a screwdriver and several bottles of liquor.

He said he and another policeman and Preston went by car to Highland Road and behind two trees found two color television sets covered with a quilt.

They then drove to a house on Humpback Road. The car stopped. Preston went to the house and returned with a man who led them to a small shed where there was a color television set and 35 bottles of liquor and a pair of leather gloves.

Martha Hill, the bookkeeper and assistant manager of the King John Inn at the time, said three color television sets were stolen as well as a quilt.

Shown a quilt in court, she said it is similar to "about 90 others" at the hotel.

William Mauch, co-owner of the hotel, said he checked the numbers on the television sets when they were delivered with the numbers on a lease agreement.

But McConnan confronted

him with evidence from the preliminary hearing in which Mauch said he never checked each set against the lease document upon delivery.

Mauch told court Tuesday he was "quite sure" he was

checking the numbers but under repeated questioning agreed he wasn't sure.

The trial, before Judge E. J. C. Stewart, continued today. Dwight Whitson is presenting the Crown's case.

Labor Snubbing AIB Seminar

VANCOUVER (CP) — The Vancouver Labor Council has rejected an invitation to take part in an Anti-Inflation Board seminar in Vancouver Jan. 13 and 14, council president Syd Thompson said.

Thompson said that the federal government's policies are "detrimental to the working people."

FIRST '76 CLINIC IN SIDNEY

The first blood clinic of the new year will be held at Sangha Hall in Sidney Thursday, launching the Red Cross in Greater Victoria on a drive for 13,500 donors in 1976.

Spokesman Gerry Savage said the Sidney clinic, from 2 p.m. through to 8 p.m., will be sponsored by the Sidney Kinsmen Club.

A ships' clinic will be held aboard HMCS Provider Friday, from 9 a.m. to noon and 1:15 to 4:15 p.m.

Clinics Monday, Jan. 19 and Tuesday, Jan. 20, will be at Red Cross House, 1946 Fort, from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. and 6:30

to 9 p.m. on the Monday and opening an hour earlier on the Tuesday.

Savage said a total of almost 13,000 donors last year in Greater Victoria shattered the previous record of 10,108 in 1952. For the first time in many years the community donated as much blood as was used in local hospitals.

He estimated 13,500 donors will be needed this year to match local needs. And there is currently a shortage in the provincial blood bank, which is at its lowest level in six months. Blood was only being delivered on an emergency basis early this week, he said.

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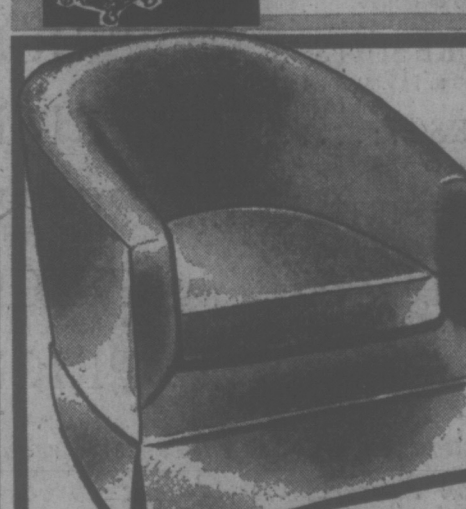
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Committees Appointed In Saanich

Mayor Ed Lum will represent Saanich on the Capital Regional Board, the Capital Improvement District Commission, the Greater Victoria Intermunicipal Committee and the Greater Victoria Water Board this year.

Lum also will be chairman of the personnel committee this year and Ald. Sandy Noel will continue to be chairman of public works.

Other chairmen are: Fire and emergency, Ald. Joe Bourque; parks and recreation, Ald. Fred Severson; environment, Ald. Roy Wooten; special events, Wooten; youth, Bourque; senior citizens; centre extension committees, Severson; finance, legislative and health, Ald. David Paterson.

Because of its importance, the entire council will form the lands, planning and housing committee with Ald. John McDonald as chairman.

Saanich representatives for the Capital Regional District and Hospital District are Lum, Noel and Severson.

Mother Strangled

KELOWNA (CP) — Anita Atkin, 62, was charged Tuesday with murder punishable by life imprisonment in the death of her mother, Mary Egger, 82, of Kelowna. Mrs. Egger was found strangled in her hospital bed Monday.

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CIA Feeds \$6M to Italy South Park Demise May Be Postponed

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. Central Intelligence Agency is funneling \$6 million to anti-Communist political leaders in Italy as part of an effort to head off what State Secretary Henry Kissinger considers alarming advances by Communist parties in Europe, an authoritative source said today.

The money, which represents a dramatic increase in

traditional CIA financing of Italian centrist elements, is going directly to members of the Christian Democratic and Socialist parties, the source said.

Disclosure of the aid comes during heated debate over covert U.S. funding for anti-Communist factions fighting in Angola. The Senate has voted to cut off covert funds for Angola. It could not be

learned whether any such action is being contemplated on funds for Italy.

A state department spokesman has declined comment on published reports of financing for Italian anti-Communist political parties.

CIA Director William Colby briefed chairman John Sparkman (Dem. Ala.) of the Senate foreign relations committee and ranking Republican

member Clifford Case of New Jersey on the agency's Italian operation Dec. 5, shortly after the financing decision was made by the Ford administration.

Case refused to confirm or deny the financing, but said he is dissatisfied with the manner in which Congress was given after-the-fact notification of CIA covert operations.

In accordance with a 1974 law, Colby also briefed members of the oversight subcommittee of the House of Representatives International Relations Committee Dec. 9.

Representative Wayne Hays (Dem. Ohio), a member of the subcommittee, refused to confirm specifics of the CIA operation, but said he told Colby that "I didn't think it was a very bright idea."

South Park Co-operative school may stay another year on Moss Street, school board trustees indicated Tuesday night.

At a parents meeting to discuss the future of the school,

chairman Bill Ross said the board "is heading in the direction" of a plan to continue the Moss Street school until 1977.

Students would then move to Tolmie elementary on

Boleskine Road near the Town and Country shopping centre.

A former proposal would have seen the school phased out this year to circumvent renovation costs at the present site, estimated by the board at \$640,000. Students would have been moved to Bank Street elementary.

That proposal was contained in a district-wide planning report, the subject of discussion at a series of parents meetings this week.

Parent spokesman at South Park, Gil Parker, said today the new alternative proposal — which would see South Park students located in a separate building at Tolmie — may jeopardize South Park's unregimented philosophy.

Seventy per cent of students at South Park live in the Moss Street vicinity and parents are also concerned about students travelling to Tolmie, which is one block from the busy traffic intersection at Douglas and Saanich.

Parker said, however, that the 50 parents who attended Tuesday's meeting "appreciate the problem the trustees have" in trying to save operating costs in a district with declining enrolment.

Ross said the district's 1969 school population was 31,763 compared to the current population of 28,142 and the projected 1979 population is still lower, 25,552. He said the equivalent of 50 classrooms were not being fully used and the board had to consider moving students to spaces with lower operating costs.

Parker said, however, that top priority has to be the education program which has developed at South Park.

Parents hoped their children would be allowed to stay in the same general area, or placed in a school with a similar philosophy.

"But there's a limit to the pressure we want to place on the board. They have to consider the whole picture and then they have to decide."

The plan to move South Park students to Bank Street — a proposal opposed by Bank Street elementary parents — would have seen students re-routed from Moss to Bank street, on the outskirts of Oak Bay, rather than to Saanich, the Tolmie school location.

Private Funeral For Lane

Private arrangements are being made for the funeral of Sam Lane, 68, who died Sunday in Las Vegas, leaving in Victoria one of the city's major tourist attractions centred on the Olde England Inn.

Undertakers said Mrs. Rosina Lane had given instructions that no publicity be accorded the service for her late husband, who had been a central figure in Victoria and Vancouver Island tourism for more than 25 years.

Lane had been a director of Vancouver Island Publicity Bureau and chairman of its advertising committee, a president of Greater Victoria Visitors and Convention Bureau, and chairman of the Victoria Chamber of Commerce tourist committee.

One of his accomplishments was organization of goodwill tours into Washington, Oregon and Alberta, which were later expanded by the provincial department of travel industry into tourist missions into southern California.

His hotel and associated attractions featuring Tudor English and medieval artifacts were well-known institutions on Lampson Street in Esquimalt.

In recognition for his work in the tourist industry, Lane had been made an honorary citizen of Victoria and the state of Washington.

Nobel Candidate Jailed in Spain

BARCELONA (AP) — Rev. Luis Maria Xirinachs, an outspoken Roman Catholic priest nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize last year, was arrested today while demonstrating near the local prison in support of amnesty for Spain's political prisoners, police sources said.

Father Xirinachs, a crusader for civil liberties, staged several long hunger strikes during frequent prison terms he served under the old regime of Gen. Francisco Franco.

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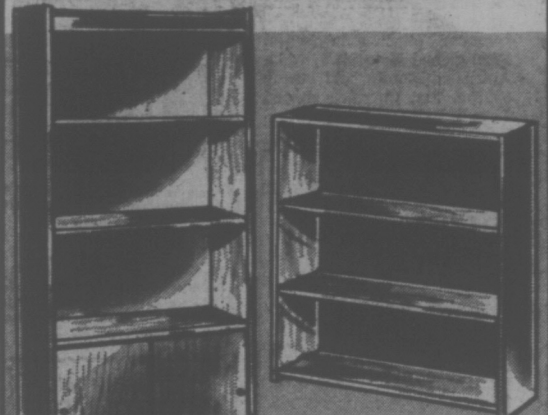
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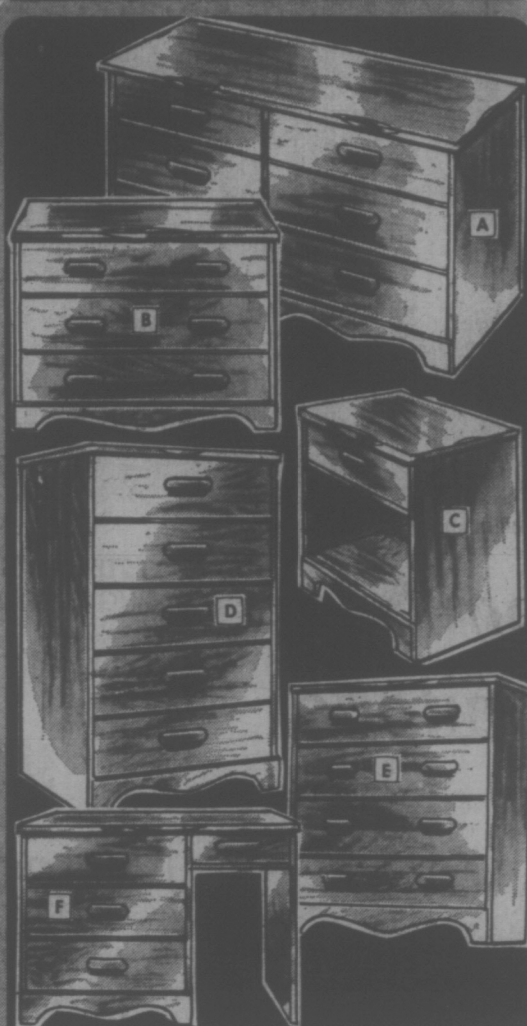
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Alderman Negligent In Fire

LA LOUVIERE, Belgium (AP) — An investigating magistrate has ordered the arrest of the alderman in charge of La Louviere's fire department after hearing testimony that city authorities did not heed warnings of deficiencies in a cafe in which 15 persons died in a New Year's Eve fire.

The owner of the Six-Nine Cafe is already under arrest on charges of involuntary homicide resulting from negligence. The warrant for the arrest of Alderman Gilbert Vandeworpe, 43, said the same charge may be filed against him.

Fire officers told the magistrate that the city administration ignored their warnings that the Six-Nine and several other cafes in La Louviere had insufficient protection against fire.

Firemen have said they reported more than three years ago that the Six-Nine had defective wiring. They said after the fire they found the fuses had been tampered with to permit overloading the electrical system.

The fire broke out after the power in cafe failed. Investigators said earlier that someone may have lighted a match or cigarette lighter to check the fuse box and set paper decorations afire.

Most of the victims were teenagers.

Canadian Fliers Grilled in Cuba

TORONTO (CP) — Four Ontario men who were forced to land their light plane in Cuba Dec. 30 spent most of the next 24 hours being held and interrogated by eight Soviet intelligence officers, the plane's pilot said Tuesday.

"I suppose some were Soviet KGB—we were never told—but it certainly was a frightening experience," said Robert Carter, 33, of Waterloo, Ont., who also owns the Piper 180 aircraft.

Mr. Carter said in an interview that despite repeated requests to get in touch with Canadian representatives in Cuba, the four men never spoke to any Canadian officials.

"In fact, the most surprising thing is that we have been back here since Jan. 2 and not a single Canadian official has called us or come even near us," he said. "You might expect as far as Canada is concerned, the incident never happened."

Mr. Carter said they were flying from Provincetown in the British West Indies to Nassau when they were driven off course by a storm. In attempting to divert the aircraft

to Andros Island, they arrived over Cuba with almost no fuel.

"When I sounded a Mayday distress signal on my radio, an Eastern Airlines pilot replied and suggested we fly out to sea and ditch rather than land in Cuba," he said.

"I didn't relish losing my plane, so we ended up landing on a gravel road instead."

As soon as they touched down, a Cuban with a rifle was covering them, Mr. Carter said. While the Cuban guarded the plane, they were allowed to make their way to a village where Cuban police took over.

Several groups of Cuban police and other officials interrogated them until they drove out to the plane and found it had not crashed, he said.

"At midnight the Russians arrived in two groups—it was obvious from then on that the Russians were in charge of the show," Mr. Carter said.

Mr. Carter was separated from his companions and taken out to the plane, he said, accompanied by three carloads of Russians and Cubans.

He said the Russian in charge later had him fly the plane out of the makeshift airstrip with himself as co-pilot. They went to Camonguay airport.

"No one would tell us their official title or job, but during the night we had asked at least three or four times to phone Canadian officials," Mr. Carter said.

"They said that had already

Zionists United

JERUSALEM (AP)—The Reform Jewish Movement has become a member of the World Zionist Congress, officially joining the fold of pro-Israeli Jewry after decades of reluctance to formally support Jewish statehood. The Reform movement was founded 100 years ago to liberalize ancient Hebrew traditions, and it adopted a cool attitude toward the idea of a Jewish state in Palestine.

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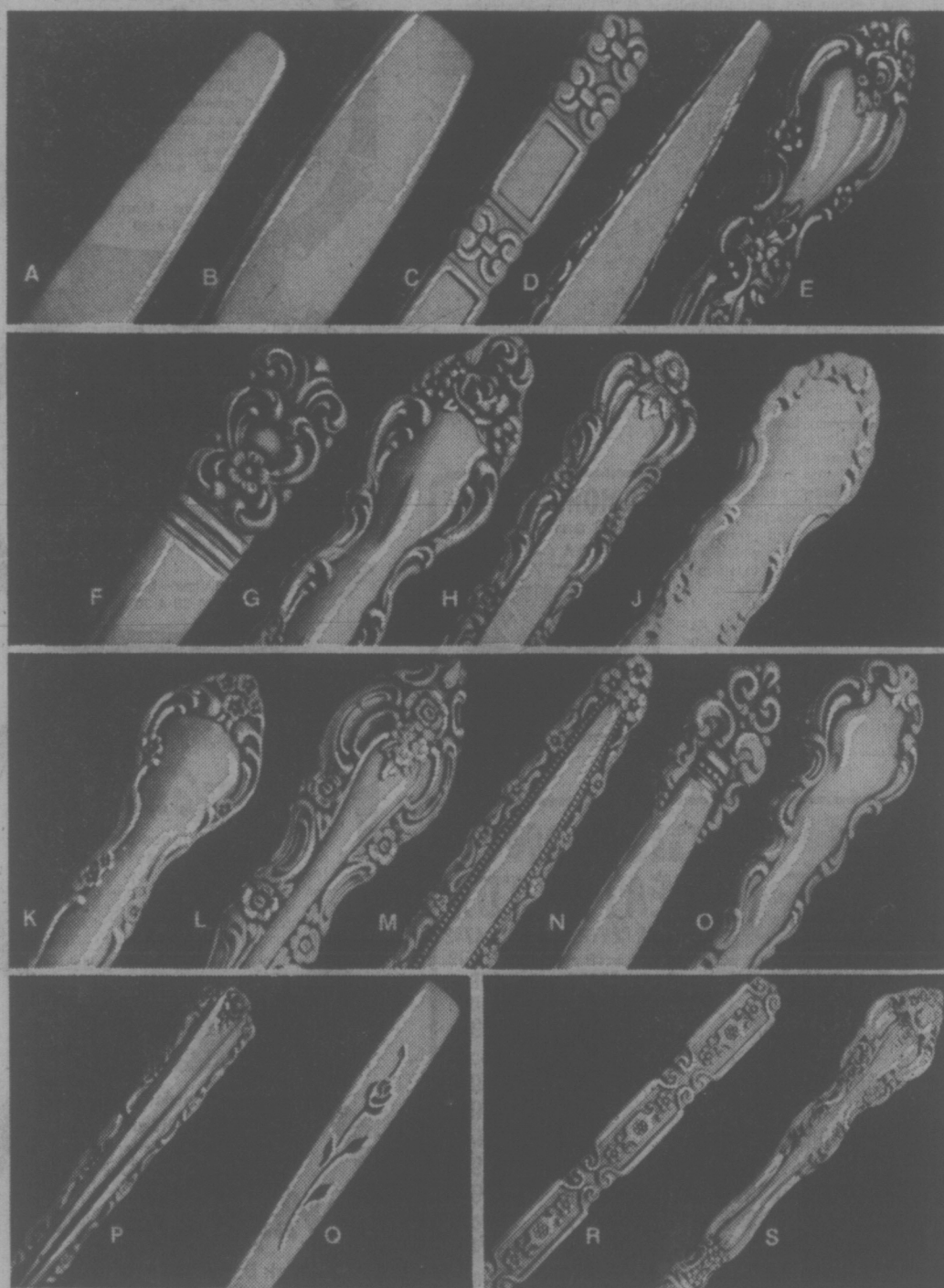
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PROBABLY ARMED—POLICE

Suspect Named in Killing

A 32-year-old man is being sought in connection with what has been termed a "gangland, execution-style" killing of a Victoria man last November.

Colwood RCMP Sgt. Ed Kokoska said a warrant has been issued charging David John Ross, formerly of Victoria, with the murder of Malcolm Preston Cunningham, 27.

Cunningham's body was found Dec. 2, 30 feet in the bushes off the CPR tracks near the junction of the Sooke Lake and Humpback Roads.

He had been shot six times with a high-powered rifle—a .30-calibre M-1 carbine and had been dead for about a month when spotted by trappers. He had last been seen alive on Nov. 1.



ROSS
dangerous

Kokoska said Ross is probably armed and should be considered dangerous. He is described as five feet 11 inches tall, 170 pounds, brown hair, blue eyes, and has numerous tattoos including one of a scorpion on the back of his right hand.

The warrant charging Ross was sworn out last week but Kokoska as late as Monday had asked the Times not to report it for fear it may impede the police investigation.

Kokoska said that he believed the suspect has left the area and is probably hiding out in either Edmonton or Calgary where he has friends or in California where he has relatives.

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SECOND SECTION



Farmer Lusk with Gentle Ben in pasture near Nanaimo

On V.I. . . . Home Where Beefalo Roam And Where Ben Is 'Something Else'

Never have I trusted bulls.

Not since I wore short pants and was chased one day across a neighboring farmer's field by a particularly angry, long-horned monster have I dared to climb through the wire separating me from them.

Not until this week, that is.

Somewhat gingerly I scaled the fence and advanced, with camera in hand, to try to get a close-up shot of Gentle Ben the bull. That name wasn't fooling me. I was certain that any moment Ben was going to become involved with my bright red jacket and charge.

But Ben didn't bat an eyelid.

He just stood there and kept on chewing. That Ben, he's something else. As the kids say.

Ben's a beefalo. He's two years old and he's for sale.

A what-alo?

He's a beefalo—a cross between a domestic beef animal and a buffalo. And cattlemen across North America are hoping this new animal will revolutionize our eating habits in the next few years.

The beefalo, developed by California rancher Bud Basolo who tried for years before successfully producing a fertile hybrid from his 2,600-head herd of buffalo and his domestic cattle, is cheaper to raise and has juicier, less-fatty meat than regular beef.

Prize beef cattle are rather choosy when it comes to eating. They will touch only the best hay and have to be finished on grain. But beefalos, although having a much higher protein meat than regular beef, will eat just about anything. They have even been known to paw the ground to search under snow for food.

I had a look at the lunch Ben and his fellow beefalos were enjoying on the farm where they live just south of

Nanaimo. And it looked pretty cruddy, if you ask me.

"We've purposely fed them the worst stuff we could find," explains Ben's owner Len Lusk. "I've given them hay that's been rained on and I've even bought all my neighbor's mouldy hay to feed them. They've eaten it all up and they've done well on it."

Ben certainly seems to have done well. I don't know much about cattle but you can tell Ben's not all fat. He's long and short and weighs almost a ton but he's solid. He's a half-blood beefalo.

Lusk, who has tasted the meat several times and thinks it's great, took up beefalo farming a couple of years ago when he decided to give up the mining business and leave Saskatchewan with his wife and four children.

Len's wife Florence breeds thoroughbred horses and at first the Lusks looked for a five to 10-acre place on Vancouver Island to do just that. What they found instead was a 40-acre farm and Len thought there was too much room for just horses and had read about the beefalo in a magazine and thought he'd give it a try.

He began with a shipment of 20 heifers and a half-blood bull. Using full-blood semen from a \$2.5-million bull Basolo sold to Calgary breeder, Lusk recently bred the first three-quarter-blood beefalo calves in Canada. Right now he has 19 half-blood females, two half-blood bulls and five three-quarter-blood calves.

But ill health—he has a bad back and his doctor has told him to take it easy—has forced Lusk to put his beefalo farm up for sale. The price is \$340,000 and for that you get the house, buildings and equipment, 40 acres and the beefalo stock. The Lusks will look again for that little place to raise horses.

"Whoever buys this place now is buying time," Len explains. "For someone starting with semen and domestic

heifers it would take three or four years to get to where we've got."

"Between mine and ones in Calgary, there are only about 200 beefalos in Canada. So for four or five years you're going to be ahead of everyone and if you're breeding, after all, that's the name of the game."

When will you be able to pop into the supermarket and buy a beefalo steak, though? Well, says Lusk, they'll be selling half-blood meat in limited amounts in the United States this year. But he estimates it will be about six or seven years before you can buy full-blood beefalo meat.

Of course, it's the only beefalo farm on sale in Canada and Lusk is beginning to feel a bit of a celebrity. Since he listed his property with Block

Brothers a few days ago, he has been "absolutely flooded" with calls. Many breeders from Montreal to the west coast are interested.

And the media has been hopping after Len and his beefalo like a lot of kangaroos.

When I arrived, he had just finished talking on a Victoria radio hot-line show, he appeared a couple of weeks ago in a TV feature on beefalo breeding, and our interview was interrupted while he spoke for a long time to news people in Toronto.

"Whew!" Len exclaimed, slipping on his boots. "Let's go out and look over the beefalo." Then he turned to his wife and grinned.

"You take the next call . . . I've got a sore throat after that one."



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\$5,530 Awarded for Hospital Burns

By ROGER STONEBANKS
Times Staff

A Victoria woman has been awarded \$5,530.97 in general and special damages as a result of burns suffered while she was a patient in Victoria General Hospital in 1973.

Karen Lenzen, who was 41 at the time, sued the Southern Vancouver Island Hospital Society, Dr. Weichmann Billings-Meyer, Dr. George Rasmussen and Louise Michaud (now Wilcox) for personal injury.

Mr. Justice E. E. Hinkson of B.C. Supreme Court, in a nine-page decision following trial last fall, held that Mrs. Wilcox, a nurse, was negligent and the hospital was also responsible as her employer.

He said the evidence did not disclose any fault on the part of Dr. Rasmussen and Dr.

Billings-Meyer and he dismissed the action against them.

Mrs. Lenzen was admitted to Victoria General Hospital May 30, 1973, following a slip at her home in which she sustained a back injury.

While in hospital she asked for a hot-water bottle for her back and a K-pad was provided. This is an apparatus which contains a pump attached to a reservoir which pumps hot water into a plastic pad which then emits heat. The K-pad was applied by Mrs. Wilcox.

Three hours later, Mrs. Wilcox turned Mrs. Lenzen on her side and observed her back was red. She thought at first it was the rubber against the patient's back which caused the redness.

The patient had been receiving injections for severe back pain at the time and Mrs. Wilcox's nursing notes following first application of the K-pad said that while Mrs. Lenzen's back was very red, the patient did not feel sore from the heat.

Mrs. Lenzen asked for the K-pad to be placed under her a little later and it remained there for two hours during which Mrs. Wilcox finished her shift and was replaced by a practical nurse, Miss Hawthorn.

Mr. Justice Hinkson concluded that after the first application, Mrs. Lenzen suffered a first-degree burn and Mrs. Wilcox did not appreciate that the redness was from a first-degree burn.

Housewife Petitions McGeer

Victoria housewife Kathy LeCorre hopes to present a 1,000-name petition protesting ICBC increases to Dr. Pat McGeer when he returns to Victoria.

She said McGeer's office is trying to arrange a time for the petition to be presented. LeCorre said she already has several hundred names on the petition and expected to have at least 1,000 names by Thursday morning.

"I've never done anything like this before," she said, "but we are a low income family and we simply cannot afford the new rates. I decided I shouldn't just sit here and take it and so I decided to try to do something about it." She got 150 names herself on Saturday and friends are helping her collect more signatures.

LeCorre, 25, whose husband is not working, has three children.

"We need the car if we are going to get around like other families. If the rates go up like they say, we simply cannot afford to drive the car."

McGeer, the cabinet minister responsible for ICBC, is expected back from vacation to attend the cabinet meeting Thursday at which the ICBC rates will be set.

Rapist Swims From Jail

A rapist, the first William Head inmate to flee the medium security institution this year, is believed to have swum from the prison Tuesday night.

Colwood RCMP said Harry Ronald Fugard, serving more than eight years for rape, breaking and entering, escape and possession of stolen property committed in West Vancouver in 1973, went missing between the supper hour and the 10 p.m. head count.

A police spokesman said Fugard, who is 28, today, should be approached with caution.

An inquiry into Fugard's escape has not been completed but a William Head spokesman said the inmate probably swam across the bay taking with him a set of dry clothes in a plastic bag.

"Some of the men here have discovered they can last in the cold water the 10 minutes or so it takes them to get across the bay."

But, the spokesman added, that should come to an end later this week when new lighting across the narrow entrance to William Head is finished.

Fugard, who would have been eligible for parole July 5, 1978, is described as five feet eight inches tall, 140 pounds, hazel eyes, bearded, fair complexion, with tattoos on his right lower leg, upper right arm and left wrist.

Firemen Could Earn \$212 for One Shift Under New Contract

By PAUL MOSS
Times Staff

Working on statutory holidays at their newly-won shift rates may not prove too onerous for Victoria firefighters, city council learned Tuesday.

Council's caucus meeting was informed that the regular rate per shift is now \$83 but if a firefighter is required to work on a statutory holiday at time-and-a-half he will get an extra \$42 for a total of \$127.

City manager Jim Bramley said that if a replacement firefighter has to work a holiday shift as "sickness relief," he is entitled to two and a half times his regular rate or \$212 per shift.

Not only that, but the city would also pay the sick person his normal \$85, making the total wages bill under such circumstances close to \$300.

Bramley said a shift averages 12 hours — 10 hours for days, 14 for nights — and personnel work four shifts on and four off.

The new pay provisions, he reminded council, were included in an arbitration award handed down last month by provincial arbitrator Dalton Larson. The award covered the 1975 contract between the city and its firefighters. Negotiations have already started for 1976.

Commented Mayor Mike Young: "I think it is a very alarming trend and one we just can't rescind or change quickly enough."

"It makes our capacity to pay reasonable wages much more difficult when we are making this type of enormous payment for a single shift. It really doesn't make any sense at all."

Bramley agreed the cost implications are such that it's questionable whether replacements should be brought in for firemen who are sick or on staff holidays.

He noted the award also gave the union a shared-cost

dental plan which will cost the city \$156 a year for every firefighter, and Larson ordered that one per cent compound interest per month be paid on the 18.5 per cent wage increase retroactive to January, 1975.

The first meeting has already been held under 1976 negotiations, the manager reported, and the firefighters' union has indicated that it is prepared to work within the federal anti-inflation guidelines.

These haven't been formally adopted yet by the provincial government but Bramley said negotiations would proceed on the assumption that would happen.

Young added sarcastically: "They're a good bunch of chaps."

In other business, council heard the hard-to-believe

news that the city's taxable land values will actually decline this year, by \$215,000 compared with 1975.

City comptroller Mason Sheldrick said the shortfall is caused by the provincial government's continued program of acquiring lands which fall under the 15-mill umbrella — paying only about one-third of the due property tax bill — and the reduced assessments on lands where condominiums are located.

But Sheldrick said his earlier guess that the product of a mill for this year's general purposes levy would be around \$237,000 was somewhat on the low side.

The actual value of one mill would be \$239,074, he said, making the provincial budget's projected 12-mill increase slightly less than was earlier indicated.

Guidance Plea On Guidelines

The chairman of the Capital Regional Board said today the provincial government should make clear without delay its intention to have federal anti-inflation guidelines apply in municipal affairs.

Jim Campbell said he will ask the board at its inaugural meeting later today for authorization to make such a case to the province.

The region is negotiating with its community health nurses and there are a variety of other contracts with municipal employees where bargaining has started or will soon, he said.

While there are strong indications the province wants such contracts to adhere to the federal guidelines, Campbell said he has not found a clear statement that the provincial government intends signing a contract with Ottawa to that effect.

Without it, the regional board can't bargain in good faith to the guidelines and the guidelines can only exert an influence on contract settlements, he said.

she had done so, she could not then reasonably have applied further heat to the back because it would have been apparent that the patient's skin was sensitive to the type of heat being emitted.

The nurse ought to have appreciated that Mrs. Lenzen was displaying a sensitivity to heat from the K-pad and that continued exposure to heat would exacerbate the condition.

"In my view, in those circumstances, Miss Michaud was not guilty of a mere error in judgment which is excusable, rather she failed to exercise reasonable care in the circumstances and failed to display a reasonable degree of nursing skill and judgment and thus must be held to have

been negligent," ruled Mr. Justice Hinkson.

"The defendant hospital is vicariously responsible for such negligence as Miss Michaud was acting within the scope of her employment in applying the K-pad."

He concluded Mrs. Lenzen suffered first, second and third degree burns to her back which was "extremely painful" and which caused "extreme discomfort" for six months until they healed. After that, she was left with discolouration in two areas.

Richard D. Law represented Mrs. Lenzen in court. J. D. Truscott of Vancouver appeared for Dr. Billings-Meyer and Dr. Rasmussen and Rodney Taylor represented the hospital society and Mrs. Wilcox.

It Could Be Month of the Cougar

By ERNIE FEDORUK
Times Staff

January could be a moving month for Victoria Cougars. Occupants of fourth place in the Western Division for much of the first half of the Western Canada Hockey League season, the Cougars closed to within two points of third-place Medicine Hat Tigers by defeating Lethbridge Broncos 4-2 Tuesday.

It was Victoria's fourth straight triumph in the New Year. A good start, said

coach Pat Ginnell, towards what could be a good month.

Six of Victoria's seven remaining games this month are at home, Memorial Arena.

"With a break," said Ginnell, "we could have an 11-0 (two-goal) record for the month. The way the team has been playing lately, we certainly shouldn't be any worse than 9-2."

"That should be good enough to move us up the ladder."

Ginnell and 2,186 fans were

treated to another strong team effort Tuesday. It had to be solid because Lethbridge, rebounding strongly from Saturday's 11-4 loss, gave Cougars a run for Tuesday's points.

The difference turned out to be Victoria goalkeeper Murray Bannerman. He blocked 41 shots, including 20 in the second period when the issue was far from being settled.

Lethbridge captain Brian Sutter and Willie Desjardins both were stymied twice during the opening 40 minutes.

Joe Mell also enjoyed a clear-cut run at the Cougar goalie but failed to connect.

Three of the saves came while Cougars were ahead 1-0. Both Sutter and Desjardins took second runs when the score was 2-0.

Bannerman had help, especially from defencemen Larry Glosner, Tim Williams and Don Johnson and forward Rick Durston. The four were especially outstanding when the Cougars played short-handed, including a stretch of one minute, 52 seconds when

Lethbridge held a two-man attacking edge.

The alert defensive performance, supported by smart Victoria back-checking by Victoria's forwards, stole the spotlight usually directed at goal-scorers.

Rod Guimont, Curt Fraser, Al Hill and former Bronco Archie Henderson scored Victoria's goals. Mike Fynn and Steve Tambellini were the only Lethbridge players to find a hole in Bannerman's armor. Both Lethbridge goals came in the third period.

Fraser now has scored in six consecutive games.

Guimont was one of two players from the affiliated Nanaimo Clippers who dressed for the game. Defenceman Leroy Heck also was pressed into service after Ginnell was informed that Greg Tebbutt was hit with a two-game suspension by league president Ed Chynoweth.

Tebbutt drew the suspension for his role during a brawl in Kamloops on Sunday. Tebbutt will play in exhibition

games tonight and Friday. Cougars play the Clippers in Nanaimo's new arena tonight and then return to Memorial Arena to tackle the touring Czechoslovakian junior Olympic team on Friday.

Tebbutt will sit out his second game Saturday, when the Cougars entertain New Westminster Bruins.

Elsewhere in the WCHL Tuesday, Brandon Wheat Kings trounced Flin Flon Bombers 12-1 while Winnipeg Clubs upset the Eastern Division-leading Saskatoon 7-4.

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The Sports Council To Examine Its Future

Whether the Sports Council of Greater Victoria? That is one question that is expected to be answered at a meeting of that organization on Sunday night at 8 in the Victoria Curling Club.

The Sports Council has been a part of the city and district scene for many years now even though its original concepts have changed over that same space of time. Today it is no secret that local sports organizations are not actively participating in its administration nor have they taken part in any recent election of officers.

So what has happened, or what hasn't, to bring about this lagging interest?

The Sports Council originally was formulated by the mayor and council of Victoria with the main function being the allocation of playing facilities. However, with the rapid development of various sports organizations and the ever-increasing and ever-improving recreational facilities in the Greater Victoria core municipalities, the functions of the Sports Council appeared to increase.

But so did the responsibilities of the municipal recreation departments and, as those departments grew, the need for an allocation body no longer necessary.

Simply put, the Sports Council had to have some new ideas. And one of these is considered rather important to city teams and groups, because the Sports Council has functioned almost entirely lately to raise money for travelling expenses for city clubs and the fund-raising burden usually fell on the shoulders of the directorate.

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Of course, in addition, the Sports Council has been a co-host of the annual Sports Celebrity Dinner, an affair that annually honors the city's top teams and individual performers while raising money for Kiwanis charities.

It is the feeling of Sports Council directors that because of the success of this annual awards banquet, in which all sport plays a part, there still is a place in the community for a body such as theirs that could be fostered throughout the entire year for the mutual benefit of all. It could be a clearing house for all sorts of items, major and minor. Besides, one sport might suddenly realize the problems of another and perhaps be able to help. And also, sports groups would not schedule major events at the same time, as has happened.

In other words, there should be a co-ordinated effort to bring all sports together; because, if there isn't, there really wouldn't be the need for the organization and every sport could go its own separate way, and nobody would really benefit.

The Sports Council directors also feel that under any reorganizational plan, they should work closely with local municipal governments and be prepared to accept briefs or representations from recreational department officials as well as sports organizations. In this way there could be a united approach, not only to the improvement of existing recreational and playing facilities, but also to ensure the maximum and most efficient use of the facilities and required additions to these facilities.

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Another thought is that a united fraternity could do much towards assisting individual organizations to obtain major tournaments and competition that would encourage the expansion of recreational areas and increase participation in all sports programs. For many groups, this type of effort could be organized to ensure strong financial backing and full assistance in necessary fund-raising projects in the community. Searches for funds, individually or on a club basis, are with us almost every month of the year. Surely they could be co-ordinated.

At any rate, these are just a few of the ideas of present members of the Sports Council, as circulated throughout the city this week with an appeal for the support of all city sports organizations.

The Sports Council feels it can help; and all groups are welcome to Sunday's meeting including media types and interested parties from municipal staffs, or their delegates. A full discussion of all factors pertaining to local sport and the part the Sports Council can play in it, will be undertaken. It should prove interesting. And don't say you weren't told.

Wings Shatter Saanich Streak

Victoria Rays Red Wings ended Saanich Braves' unbeaten streak at 22 games Tuesday night, handing the first-place club a 5-3 defeat before 525 South Island Junior "B" Hockey League fans at Pearkes Arena.

It was only the second loss of the season for Braves, who were missing three key players. Ron Vincent is on holidays. Tom King is sitting out a three-game suspension for taking a match penalty and Brent Patterson is nursing an injured wrist.

Red Wings fired four goals in the third period, including an effort by Norm Allen at the 15:51 mark that snapped a 3-3 tie.

The other Victoria goals were tagged by Jack Voykin, Dwight Crockett, Wayne Prociav and Steve Leatherman. Ron Johnson led Saanich

with two goals while Rob Colwell came up with a single tally.

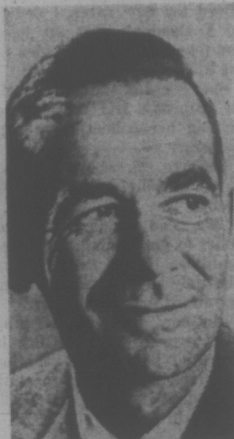
Larry Boldt made 37 stops in the Victoria net while Gord Mitchell blocked 32 shots for Saanich.

Next game: Tonight — Esquimalt at Lake Cowichan, 8:30 p.m.

Gallaugh Leads In Super-Curling

Bob Gallaugh's foursome took over top place in the Super Curling League at the Racquet Club Tuesday with a 6-5 victory over the Steve Skillings rink.

In other games Brad Clarke defeated Lyle Garraway 11-8 and Moe Hill edged Ted Jurista 7-4. Gallaugh leads with a 4-2 mark followed by Skillings and Jurista at 3-3, Hill 3-3, Clarke 2-4 and Garraway 1-3-2.



EMILE FRANCIS
... still vice-president

Francis Out; Ferguson In?

NEW YORK (AP) — Emile Francis was relieved Tuesday of the general manager duties of the New York Rangers and a top prospect to replace him is John Ferguson, former Montreal Canadiens left winger.

Francis, who held the Ranger job since Oct. 30, 1964, was dismissed by president William Jennings. Immediately Ferguson leaped to the foreground as a potential successor—and possibly a new coach for the struggling National Hockey League team.

"I have talked to Mr. Jen-

nings once and in the next couple of days, I'll talk about it again," said Ferguson, who retired after the 1970-71 season. "I can't say much, but let's say I'm interested in the GM job and maybe coaching, too."

The Rangers had talked to Ferguson before hiring coach Ron Stewart in May, 1975, but other involvements in harness racing, a restaurant and the clothing industry moved Ferguson to turn down the offer.

Ferguson is one of four candidates, said Jennings, the man who made the stunning

announcement that Francis was to be relieved.

Jennings, however, refused to speculate that Francis would remain as a vice-president.

"I'd be surprised if he hasn't had eight offers already," Jennings said. "I don't have any idea what he'll do."

Francis, subdued when reached at his Long Beach, N.Y. home, said: "I'm in no rush to do anything. I'll report to work this morning as vice-president. I'm not going to desert this team if they need me."

Jennings added that along with Ferguson, former Canadiens coach Al McNeil and two other unnamed contenders—none of whom is employed currently by an NHL, World Hockey Association



PLAYING KEEP-AWAY is Kareem Abdul-Jabbar of Los Angeles Lakers during National Basketball Association game Tuesday in Buffalo. Jabbar is attempting to protect ball from eager hands of Bob McAdoo, but Lakers later lost possession in dying seconds and McAdoo hit on 24-foot shot to give Braves 114-113 triumph. McAdoo collected 41 points, Jabbar scored 20. (AP Wirephoto)

McAdoo's 'Layup' Yields Clutch Win

By The Associated Press

When most players, even the sharpshooters in the National Basketball Association, take a 24-foot jump shot, you hold your breath. But when the gunner is Buffalo's Bob McAdoo...

"That's a lay-up for him," coach Jack Ramsay said after McAdoo's 24-foot jumper at the final buzzer capped a furious fourth-quarter rally that lifted the Braves to a 114-113 triumph Tuesday night over Los Angeles Lakers.

McAdoo's winning basket gave him 41 points and came after the Lakers lost the ball on a 24-second violation with seven seconds to go, nullifying a basket by Lucius Allen. The Braves trailed 92-79 entering the last period but outscored Los Angeles 35-21 with Randy Smith scoring 12 of his 24 points.

Gail Goodrich topped Los Angeles with 32 points while Kareem Abdul-Jabbar had 20 points and 22 rebounds.

"What we thought we'd get is a jumper from Mac and he usually gets them at the top of the circle," said Ramsay as he explained the last play of the game. "Randy Smith screens for him and the post man steps out. If we can get him a jumper at the top of the circle he's going to make them, especially in critical situations. His chances are better than in normal situations because he's a crucial shooter."

In other games, Atlanta Hawks defeated Milwaukee Bucks 91-87, Washington Bullets beat Kansas City Kings 103-98, New Orleans Jazz turned back Chicago Bulls 104-96 and New York Knicks downed Portland Trail Blazers 112-97.



ROY SMITH

HAWKS SNUB SMUGNESS

CHICAGO (AP) — Chicago Black Hawks are anything but smug about tonight's exhibition hockey game against Wings of the Soviet.

Members of the National Hockey League team fully expect the Russians to bounce back from their 12-4 loss to Buffalo Sabres last Sunday.

"They'll bounce back and be very high because of that loss," said captain Stan Mikita, one of several Black Hawks in 1972.

"We don't have the fire power that Buffalo has so we can't let them buzz around or they'll kill us," said Mikita. "We'll have to do some bumping around to keep them off balance."

Although the Wings are not rated as strong as the Central Red Army team which is also playing a series of games against NHL opponents, they have star forward Aleksandr Yakushev whom Bobby Hull once called "the best left wing in the world."

Yakushev's linemates are Vladimir Shadrin and Victor Schallmiov.

Montreal Players Dominate

MONTREAL (CP) — Six members of Montreal Canadiens were among 12 players named to the Prince of Wales Conference team for the National Hockey League's all-star game announced today.

The Prince of Wales Conference will meet the Clarence Campbell Conference in the 29th annual game in Philadelphia Jan. 20.

Five other clubs from the nine-team Prince of Wales con-

ference, which comprises the Norris and Adams divisions, are also represented among the 12 players selected in a poll conducted by members of the Professional Hockey Writers' Association.

Goaltender Ken Dryden, defencemen Serge Savard and Guy Lapointe, centre Peter Mahovlich, right-winger Guy Lafleur and left-winger Steve Shutt were the Montreal Players chosen.

Goaltender Wayne Thomas and defenceman Borje Salming were picked from Toronto Maple Leafs, defenceman Brad Park was chosen from Boston Bruins while left-winger Richard Martin was the only member of Buffalo Sabres named. Rounding out the list were centre Marcel Dionne of Los Angeles Kings and right-winger Jean Pronovost of Pittsburgh Penguins.

For Most, Invitations Only

TORONTO (CP) — Only first-round picks in next spring's amateur draft are likely to be offered contracts by the National Hockey League teams which select them.

Officials of several NHL teams agree that most of the other draft picks will simply be invited to training camp to try to earn jobs with the big team or in the farm system.

Jim Develiano, scouting director of New York Islanders, says even his team's first-round pick won't be assured of a major league salary.

It has been common prac-

tice for several seasons for NHL teams to offer contracts to most or all of their picks.

For example, player agent Steve Heller of Montreal says that last season Boston Bruins signed their first seven picks.

"Looking at the draft picture as of today we might not even sign one," he said. "Players will be invited to camp and after scrutiny might be signed."

Tommy Ivan, general manager of Chicago Black Hawks, said the Hawks may not even sign their No. 1 pick.

Jake Milford, general manager of Los Angeles Kings, says his team won't sign anybody after the first round.

Heller says he has told his clients not to even consider getting more than an invitation to training camp if they're not drafted early.

Another agent, Bill Watterson of Toronto, says the situation is so bad he's telling some of his amateur clients to consider going back to school instead of pursuing a hockey career.

COMPACTS ELIGIBLE IN SUPER-STOCK CLASS

Compact model cars will be permitted to race in the super-stock class at Western Speedway next season, the Vancouver Island Track Racing Association decided Tuesday night.

The new rule permits models with a stock 110-inch wheel base, such as Novas, Mustangs, Cougars and Darts, to compete. However, the wheel base on such models must be lengthened to a minimum of 112 inches.

An engine rule change will permit V8s, 1970 and newer, allowing new smaller engines to be used. The rule for six-cylinder engines will remain the same at last year at 1964 and newer.

Last season's tire rule also will remain. Under it, all cars use the same tires provided by VITRA.

There will be racing next season for local and open super-stocks, modifieds and a new hobby class of six-cylinder models from 1955 to 1965.

Roy Aims at Daytona Cash

By JIM CRERAR
Times Staff

Roy Smith of Victoria could become only the second Canadian to drive the Daytona 500 stock car race in Florida next month.

Smith hopes to qualify a 1975 Chevelle owned by Dick Midgley of Victoria for the Feb. 15 race against almost every top stock car driver on the continent. At stake is a \$322,000 purse, with \$45,000 going to the winner.

Smith is the first Victoria

driver to take a crack at Daytona's 2½-mile D-shaped oval. The only other Canadian to drive there is Earl Ross of Alton, Ont., NASCAR rookie of the year two years ago.

Forty cars will start the Sunday afternoon 500-mile test, to be carried live on the ABC television network. Between 60 and 70 cars are expected to take part in time trials and two 125-mile qualifying races Feb. 8-11.

The pole position and No. 2 spot in the main event's starting grid go to the two fastest

cars in the trials. The rest of the field will be taken from the qualifying races (14 cars from each) and the remaining fastest trial times.

Midgley, Smith and veteran pit man Ted McKenzie will make the trip to Daytona, towing the car on a 10,000-mile round trip that will take four days each way. They leave Feb. 1.

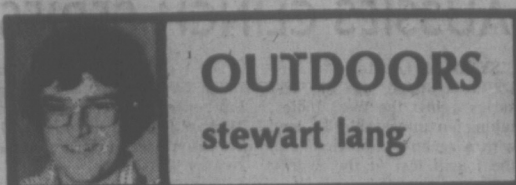
Smith's last start in the Midgley car was Nov. 23 in the Los Angeles Times 500 at Ontario Motor Speedway, in which he snapped a shock mount and was forced out. He

was running ninth at the time.

The car has been completely torn down and will be rebuilt for the Daytona test. Smith is passing up the Winston Western 500 at Riverside, Calif., Jan. 18 to get ready for Daytona.

He'll be in against Bobby Allison, five-time Daytona winner Richard Petty, David Pearson, defending champ Benny Parsons, Cale Yarborough, A. J. Foyt and Buddy Baker, who's in a hot streak after winning the Times 500 and Dixie 500 last fall.

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Fascinating New Books For Anglers, Canoeists

Innovative, comprehensive and practical. All of these adjectives can be applied to two new books that would make a welcome addition to any outdoorsman's library.

Fly Fishing Strategy by Doug Swisher and Carl Richards (General Publishing, \$10) and The Complete Wilderness Paddler by James West Davidson and John Rugge (Random House, \$11.95) were both obviously written by authors more in tune with the wilds of the eastern part of the continent. But much of their advice can also be applied directly to conditions west of the continental divide.

First, to fly fishing:

Swisher, Richards and Dave Whitlock, the illustrators, are masters at their craft and seem to have the added gift of to impart their vast knowledge in a readable fashion.

From employing the proper casting technique for various situations to choosing the correct fly to match a hatch, this book has a lot to offer both the neophyte and experienced fly angler.

And the authors are the first to suggest everything isn't easy — even with their advice.

"Lake fishing is tough because of the still, clear water, the cruising fish, the need for an exact imitation, and the fact that each lake has a different bio-system. Each single body of water needs study, at least over an entire year, to enable one to know what is occurring."

Basically, the main thrust of the book is toward more effective presentation of a fly.

"Take two fishermen on the same stretch of river, both with identical patterns, correct for the hatch," they state. "One gets 20 fish, the other one or two. Why? One presents his floating fly to the trout in the same manner as the natural drift by the feeding station. The other fisherman does not. It is that simple."

Particularly interesting for the more advanced angler are chapters on saltwater fly fishing, some new developments in fly trying techniques and materials and the latest equipment.

The saltwater section covers some fascinating details on fishing for such exotic species as bonefish, barracuda, tarpon and even sharks. Not that you're likely to encounter any in these waters, but it makes for good reading.

And now, to paddling:

With this book, Davidson and Rugge have done for canoeing what Colin Fletcher did for hiking in The Complete Walker—even this prose style is similar.

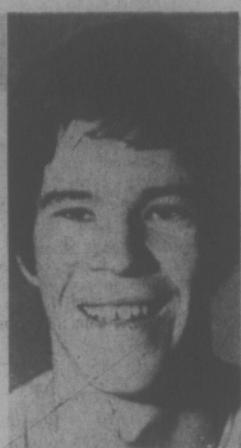
Good down-to-earth practical knowledge is skillfully blended with an easy brand of humor to produce a manual for both beginners and experts that makes learning a light-hearted experience.

What makes this book doubly enticing is that all this knowledge is presented within the context of an actual wilderness trip down the Moisie River in Labrador.

The reader is drawn into the trip from the first germ of an idea and faces the same alternatives as the authors throughout the journey which involved 32 portages and every conceivable type of situation from navigating on large lakes to crossing ice and running fast water.

Other sundry and useful topics covered in this fascinating publication are techniques for reading a river from topographical maps, outfitting, methods of portaging, small-stream work, scouting runs, firing down rapids, keeping journals, taking still and moving pictures, establishing river camps, shooting heavy water, outfitting backwoods pests, getting along with others in an isolation situation and survival tactics.

An appendix on paddling strokes, outlined in more detail throughout the text, appears in the back of the book and is worth committing to memory.



JIM DUNN
... scores 34 points

Reynolds Gives Champs a Shock

Reynolds Roadrunners appeared to have lost little of their punch over the summer as play got underway Tuesday night in the Greater Victoria High School Girls' Basketball League.

Roadrunners, who put on an impressive display in last season's B.C. tournament, knocked off last year's lower

Island champion Ramblers 31-27 at Mt. Douglas.

In the other opening games, Oak Bay Bays tripped the Panthers 42-25 at Parkland, Belmont Tomahawks bulldozed host Claremont Spartans 39-16 and Esquimalt nudged visiting Spectrum 38-27.

Reynolds took a 17-13 lead by half time and never looked back.

Rhonda Kellar dunked 16 points to lead the Roadrunner attack while Peggy McManisman led Mt. Douglas with 10.

Joanne Moretti set the pace for Bays with 12 points while Eleanor Benn blasted in 13 points for Parkland.

Shella Chalmers, one of the Belmont returnees, set the pace for that club with 14 points.

A well-balanced attack left no player on the Esquimalt squad with more than six points while Kathy Kozak topped Spectrum with 12 points.

REYNOLDS (31): Clare Turner 4, Rhonda Kellar 16, Jodie Crozier 6, Tracy McFar 3, Donna Rogers, Sue Droppert, Sharon Finlay, Sylvia Tabor.

MT. DOUGLAS (27): Bev Galt 3, Gail Anderson 2, Marie Morrison 3, Linda MacKenzie, Cindy Smith 5, Peggy McManisman 10, Leslie Cross, Joanne Griffin, Terry Crocker, Mary Mason, Maureen Rutherford.

ESQUIMALT (39): Shella Chalmers 14, Connie Griffin, Louise Nowell 4, Barb Chalmers, Christy Smith 3, Judy Foley 5, Irene Sodman 3, Jeanette Osborne 4, Shirley Wilson, Sydney Thomson 6.

CLAREMONT (16): Cathy Ambrose 5, Carol Hunter, Karen Dickson, Lisa Alkison 3, Yolande Oliviero, Lyn McKean, Carmelita Oliviero, Tracy Wilkinson, Deb Perry 4, Lynn Crawford 4.

OAK BAY (22): Mary Carlson 2, Joanne Moretti 10, Brenda Young 4, Sue Taylor 4, Marilyn Brain 4, Thana Gibson, Mary-Joe Weicker 2, Kelly Jacklin 4.

PARKLAND (25): Eleanor Benn 13, Laurie McDonald 4, Kathy Salt, Terri Sanderson, Louise Herlihy 4, Angela Cooper 2.

Jim Dunn, a seven-foot-two centre, took up most of the shooting slack instilled by the holidays in other members of the team and led Reynolds Roadrunners to a 59-56 triumph over host Mt. Douglas Rams in one of the opening games of the Greater Victoria High School Boys' Basketball League on Tuesday night.

Dunn fired 34 points and pulled in an impressive total of 22 rebounds.

In other opening games, Belmont Braves steamrolled host Claremont Spartans 38-27.

100-65. Oak Bay Bays points going into the final quarter.

Roadrunner coach Wayne Erickson said after the game that he relied heavily on Dunn for the scoring because his players' outside shooting was rusty after the Christmas break.

Dale McMillan was the second highest scorer for Reynolds with eight points while Rick Shenton led Rams with 17 points.

Bruce English topped Belmont marksmen with 27 points while clubmate Bruce Robertson added 23. Two other Braves, Chris Calnan and Don Wightman, also hit double figures with 16 and 12 points, respectively. Gord Lee set the pace for Spartans with 19 points.

REYNOLDS (59): Jim Dunn 34, Eric Jones 7, Mike Newman, Mark McNally-Dewes 4, Reg King, Dale McMillan 8, John Morgan, Bruce Meade 6, Damien Tyrrelle, Terry Wais, Don Wightman 12.

MT. DOUGLAS (56): Bob McCue 10, Garth Nye, Dan Pimlott 4, Rick Shenton 17, Rick Bourque 4, Art Plesnes, Norm Lebo, Bob Jarvis 10, Ken Brown 5, Dave Ball, Jim McDermott 2, Ross Main.

BELMONT (38): Derek Johnson 8, Bruce Robertson 23, Wayne McChesney 4, Steve Davidson, Rick Evans 4, Bruce English 27, Chris Calnan 16, Don Wightman 12.

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Girls' Divisions

PRE-MIDGET		W	L	T	Pts
First United Snickers	10	10	1	1	11
Giant/Gators TOP	10	10	1	1	11
First United Barons	10	10	1	1	11
First United Trojans	10	10	1	1	11
Richmond Robbers	10	10	1	1	11
Lamson Rompers	10	10	1	1	11
Lamson Racals	10	10	1	1	11
Giant/Crocodiles	10	10	1	1	11
MIDGET "A"		W	L	T	Pts
First United Stars	10	10	1	1	11
Esquimalt Scamps	10	10	1	1	11
Metropolitan Angels	10	10	1	1	11
Richmond Ringers	10	10	1	1	11
MIDGET "B"		W	L	T	Pts
Lamson Rebels	10	10	1	1	11
St. Andrews	10	10	1	1	11
First United Barons	10	10	1	1	11
Chinese Village	10	10	1	1	11
First United Ramblers	10	10	1	1	11
SANTAM		W	L	T	Pts
First United Royals	10	10	1	1	11
Metropolitan Rebels	10	10	1	1	11
First United Raiders	10	10	1	1	11
Strawberry Vale "A"	10	10	1	1	11
First United Flyers	10	10	1	1	11
Strawberry Vale "B"	10	10	1	1	11

Boys' Divisions

PRE-MIDGET		W	L	T	Pts
Lamson Pacific Wings	10	10	1	1	11
Giant/Gators	10	10	1	1	11
Chinese Students	10	10	1	1	11
Metropolitan Sinners	10	10	1	1	11
St. Andrews	10	10	1	1	11
Evening Optimists	10	10	1	1	11
Fairburn Flyers	10	10	1	1	11
Richmond	10	10	1	1	11
James Bay AA	10	10	1	1	11
MIDGET "A"		W	L	T	Pts
Chilwell Lions	10	10	1	1	11
Colts	10	10	1	1	11
Belmont Aztecs	10	10	1	1	11
Reynolds	10	10	1	1	11
Mandel Floors	10	10	1	1	11
MIDGET "B"		W	L	T	Pts
Chinese Students	10	10	1	1	11
Illicum Sandys	10	10	1	1	11
Metropolitan Saints	10	10	1	1	11
Lamson Rockets	10	10	1	1	11
E. J. Willis	10	10	1	1	11
SANTAM "A"		W	L	T	Pts
Oak Bay Red Barons	10	10	1	1	11
Landovera	10	10	1	1	11
Belmont	10	10	1	1	11
Colts	10	10	1	1	11
Reynolds Roadrunners	10	10	1	1	11
SANTAM "B"		W	L	T	Pts
Chinese Students	10	10	1	1	11
Reynolds	10	10	1	1	11
Belmont	10	10	1	1	11
JUVENILE		W	L	T	Pts
James Bay	10	10	1	1	11
St. Michaels - US	10	10	1	1	11

Cowboys Take Aim at WHA Lead

By The Canadian Press
It's about time Winnipeg Jets and Quebec Nordiques started looking back over their shoulders.
Calgary Cowboys are gaining on them.
The surprising Cowboys beat the Jets for the third time since Christmas on Tues-

day night, blanking them 5-0 behind the goaltending of Wayne Wood.
The Jets and Nordiques have been fighting all season over the lead in the Canadian Division of the World Hockey Association, but the Cowboys appear ready to join the battle.

CANADIAN DIVISION		P	W	L	T	Pts
Winnipeg	42	27	15	0	171	119
Quebec	42	24	18	0	163	108
Calgary	39	27	12	0	159	125
Edmonton	44	16	28	1	146	84
Toronto	39	14	25	3	145	87
EASTERN DIVISION		P	W	L	T	Pts
New England	37	18	17	3	115	110
Cincinnati	36	18	17	1	130	172
Indianapolis	38	15	21	2	107	119
Cleveland	37	14	23	1	118	122
WESTERN DIVISION		P	W	L	T	Pts
Houston	36	19	15	0	143	124
San Diego	37	17	16	4	142	124
Minnesota	34	17	14	3	110	115
Phoenix	36	16	17	3	128	125
Ottawa	37	14	23	1	118	150

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AUSSIES CLINCH SERIES

SYDNEY (Reuter) — Australia wrapped up the test series against the West Indies, taking an unbeatable 3-1 lead with a seven-wicket victory in the fourth test at the Sydney cricket ground today.
Speed bowler Jeff Thomson wrecked the West Indies second innings with a fine burst of sustained pace, taking six for 50 off 15 overs.

The West Indies resumed at three for 33 and after losing Lawrence Rowe for seven and Michael Holding for nine, both Thomson victims. They were five for 95 at lunch.
Thomson shattered any West Indies hopes of a revival in the first over after lunch when captain Clive Lloyd slashed at the third ball and was caught behind.
Keith Boyce followed four balls later when he smacked a slip and the West Indies were tottering at seven for 95.

Manager Resigns

LONDON (Reuter) — Jimmy Adamson resigned Tuesday as manager of Burnley after 29 years with the English League soccer club.
No reason was given for his resignation, although Burnley is struggling near the bottom of Division One with only four league wins this season.

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Tarkenton Tops Poll

NEW YORK (AP) — Record-shattering quarterback Fran Tarkenton of Minnesota Vikings, heads the National Football League all-pro team selected by The Associated Press and announced Tuesday.

Joining Tarkenton in the all-pro backfield are runners Chuck Foreman of Minnesota and O. J. Simpson of Buffalo Bills. Speedy Cliff Branch of Oakland Raiders and Mel Gray of St. Louis Cardinals are the wide-receivers with

Riley Odoms of Denver Broncos chosen at tight end.

Up front, the nationwide panel of writers and broadcasters chose Ron Yary of Minnesota and George Kintz of Baltimore Colts as the tackles, Joe DeLamielleure of Buffalo Bills and Larry Little of Miami as the guards and Jim Langer of Miami at center. Jim Bakken of St. Louis was picked as the team's place-kicker.

On defence, the 78 voters selected Jack Youngblood of Los Angeles Rams and L. C.

Greenwood of Pittsburgh Steelers at ends with Alan Page of Minnesota and Curley Culp of Houston Oilers at tackles.

Pittsburgh's Jack Ham and Chris Hanburger of Washington Redskins are the outside linebackers, flanking Bill Bergey of Philadelphia Eagles. Mel Blount of Pittsburgh and Roger Wehrli of St. Louis are the cornerbacks with Minnesota's Paul Krause at free safety and Ken Houston of Washington at strong safety.

SOCCER TRIO SUSPENDED

LONDON (Reuter) — Peter Storey of Arsenal, Mike Summerbee of Burnley and Keith Robson of West Ham United were each banned for three matches by an English Football Association disciplinary commission Tuesday.

Each had totalled 20 penalty points in the accumulative disciplinary system introduced this season. The players will start their suspensions Saturday.

Surprises in Cup Replays

LONDON (Reuter) — Third Division club Bury cut down Middlesbrough of the First Division, 3-2, in an English Football Association Cup third-round soccer replay Tuesday.

It was one of several shocks in Tuesday's replays. Tooting and Mitcham, the last surviving non-league club, gained a place in the fourth round with a 2-1 win over Third Division Swindon Town, and Portsmouth, at the bottom of the

Second Division, eliminated Birmingham City, 1-0, on their First Division rival's ground.

Middlesbrough scored twice in the first eight minutes at Bury, but this did not dim the fighting spirit of the Third Division club. Jim McIlwraith, John Hulme and Andy Rowland scored for Bury.

Alan Ives, who works for an electrical company, scored the winning goal for the part-timers of Tooting and Mit-

cham eight minutes from the end of their home match against Swindon.

Fourth Division club Rochdale made Norwich City of the First Division fight desperately to stay in the competition. Their match at Rochdale ended scoreless after extra time and the clubs will meet a third time.

Hull City defeated another Second Division club, Plymouth Argyle, 4-1 on the Plymouth ground.

In the fourth round, Bury will be away to Leicester City, Tooting away to Bradford City, Portsmouth away to Charlton Athletic and Hull away to Sunderland.

ENGLISH FA CUP
Third-round Replays:
Birmingham 0, Portsmouth 1.
Bristol 1, Burnley 4.
Bury 3, Middlesbrough 2.
Plymouth 1, Hull 4.
Rochdale 0, Norwich 0.
Tooting 2, Swindon 1.

ENGLISH LEAGUE
Division III
Crystal Palace, Walsall 1.

NHL SUMMARIES

PATRICK DIVISION				
	P	W	L	T
Philadelphia	39	22	6	11
NY Islanders	39	21	11	7
Atlanta	37	14	14	1
NY Rangers	36	15	20	4

SMYTH DIVISION				
	P	W	L	T
Chicago	39	14	13	12
Vancouver	37	15	15	7
St. Louis	37	12	21	3
Minnesota	37	12	23	3
Kansas City	39	11	24	4

ADAMS DIVISION				
	P	W	L	T
Boston	39	21	9	13
Buffalo	38	22	14	5
Toronto	38	15	14	13
California	39	13	23	3

NORRIS DIVISION				
	P	W	L	T
Montreal	39	27	6	14
Los Angeles	38	21	17	2
Pittsburgh	38	15	17	2
Detroit	38	12	22	4
Washington	38	9	27	3

Next games: Tonight — Philadelphia at Toronto; Montreal at Minnesota; Pittsburgh at California; Los Angeles at Kansas City.

NY RANGERS 2, ST. LOUIS 5

First Period
1. St. Louis, Larose (3) (Lefley, Gossell) 1:30.
2. St. Louis, Larose (3) (Lefley, Gossell) 4:44.
3. St. Louis, Plante (10) (Irvine, Palfrey) 14:54.
Penalties — Berenson (SL) 8:01; Gossell (R) 12:07.
Second Period
4. NY Rangers, Grieschner (2) (Espinosa, Gilbert) 8:52.
5. St. Louis, Irvine (4) (Patey) 7:25.
6. NY Rangers, Slomkowski (8) (Tlacuac, Vachek) 8:29.
7. St. Louis, Sanderson (11) 14:34.
Penalties — Tlacuac (R) 3:54; Butler (SL) 4:30; Hess (SL) 15:20.
Third Period
No scoring.
Penalties — Plante (SL) 2:14; Beverley (R) 7:07; Lefley (SL); Sanderson (SL) (minor, misconduct, game misconduct) 14:43.
Shots on goal:
NY Rangers 6 14 13—39
St. Louis 13 12 12—37
Goal — Sothert, NY Rangers; Johnston, St. Louis.
Attendance — 14,542.

KANSAS CITY 3, NY ISLANDERS 8

First Period
1. NY Islanders, Harris (17) (Marshall) 10:42.
Penalties: Murray (KC), Howett (I) 8:15.
Second Period
2. NY Islanders, Trotter (16) (Harris, Hart) 5:38.
3. NY Islanders, Gillies (17) (Hart, J. Polvin) 6:06.
4. Kansas City, Dupere (1) (Lagace, Bergman) 11:54.
5. NY Islanders, Drouin (39) (Westfall, Parise) 19:07.
Penalties: Howett (I) 1:49; St. Laurent (I) 12:02; Bergman (KC) 14:07; Parise (KC) 18:11.
Third Period
6. NY Islanders, Drouin (14) (D. Povich, Westfall) 4:05.
7. NY Islanders, Hart (2) (Trotter) 4:31.
8. NY Islanders, Drouin (18) (Parise, Westfall) 14:52.
9. NY Islanders, Hart (3) (St. Laurent) 15:26.
Penalties: Patterson (KC) 8:30; Murray (KC) 13:20.
Shots on goal by:
Kansas City 9 3 8—30
NY Islanders 12 14 14—40
Goal — McKenzie, Kansas City; Smith, NY Islanders.
Attendance — 14,865.

DETROIT 3, ATLANTA 4

First Period
1. Detroit, Bloom (3) (Martineau, Hamel) 7:29.
2. Detroit, Bergeron (11) (Maloney) 15:07.
Penalties — Corriere (A) 0:37; Bouchard (A) 1:51; Hamel (D) 4:01; Maloney (D) 12:54; Hamel (D) 14:12.
Second Period
3. Atlanta, Lysak (19) (Lamoureux, Kea) 10:43.
4. Detroit, McKee (16) (Bergeron, Maloney) 12:13.
Penalties — Corriere (A), Korney (D) 8:52; Vell (A), Polonich (D) 1:42; Lapointe (D) 19:38.
Third Period
5. Atlanta, St. Sauveur (17) (Lysak, Graves) 8:12.
6. Atlanta, Bennett (20) (Corriere) 10:27.
7. Atlanta, Lysak (20) (Gibbs, Graves) 17:58.
Penalties — Polonich (D) 7:44; Watson (D), Flett (A) 10:07.
Shots on goal:
Detroit 13 14 3—30
Atlanta 12 14 14—40
Goal — Giescomin, Detroit; Bouchard, Atlanta.
Attendance — 10,414.

VANCOUVER 5, WASHINGTON 3

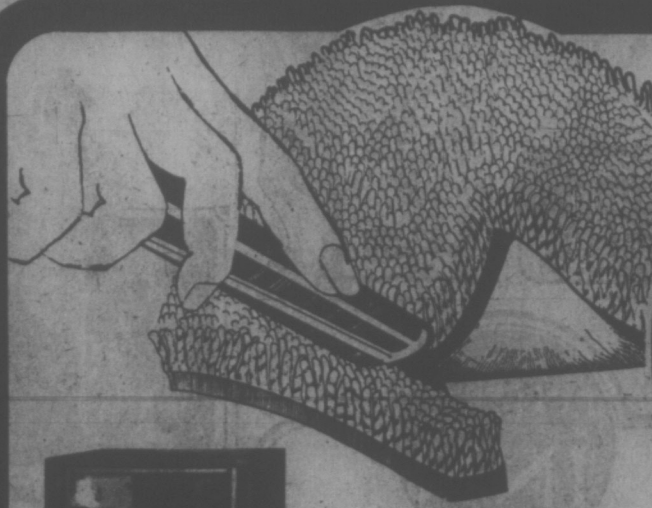
First Period
1. Vancouver, Gould (12) (Bordeleau, Korman) 2:28.
2. Vancouver, Bordeleau (4) (Gould, Odoleson) 8:24.
3. Vancouver, Alenahan (3) (Boddy, Lever) 10:22.
4. Vancouver, Verweert (19) (Lalonde, O'Flaherty) 11:31.
Penalties — O'Flaherty (V) 7:54; Bennett (W) 14:51.
Second Period
5. Washington, Lynch (3) (Gryp, Clement) 19:26.
Penalties — O'Flaherty (V) 4:56; Bordieau (V) 9:49.
Third Period
6. Washington, Pyatt (17) (Strois) 8:01.
7. Washington, Clement (10) (Stewart, Lynch) 8:48.
8. Vancouver, Gould (13) (Odoleson) 19:37.
Penalties — Lalonde (V) 5:40; Clement (W) 11:49.
Shots on goal:
Vancouver 13 9 15—37
Washington 8 8 8—24
Goal — Lockett, Vancouver; Wolfe, Washington.
Attendance — 8,261.

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	G	A	Pts.
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Lafleur, Montreal	22	34	26
Dionne, Los Angeles	23	25	20
Lacroche, Pittsburgh	23	25	20
Mahovlich, Montreal	18	20	30
Pronovost, Pittsburgh	18	20	30
Barber, Philadelphia	21	28	49
D. Potvin, NY Islanders	19	28	27
Perreault, Buffalo	19	28	27
Trotter, NY Islanders	15	27	26
Ajms, Pittsburgh	17	26	26
Cournoyer, Montreal	17	26	26
Sittler, Toronto	13	26	26
Rafale, NYR-Bos	13	26	26
Leach, Philadelphia	19	25	25
Unger, St. Louis	20	25	25
Marlin, Buffalo	19	25	25
Charon, Kansas City	19	25	25
Lucas, Buffalo	14	18	18
Murphy, Los Angeles	15	18	18
McKee, Detroit	15	18	18
Drouin, NY Islanders	15	18	18
Park, NYR-Bos	10	18	18
MacLach, Philadelphia	19	20	20
Sheppard, Boston	19	20	20
Bucyk, Boston	19	20	20
Espinosa, NYR-Bos	14	14	14

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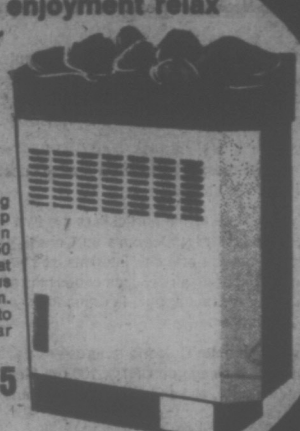
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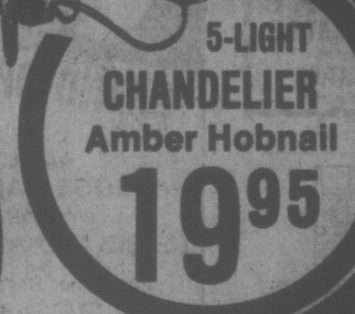
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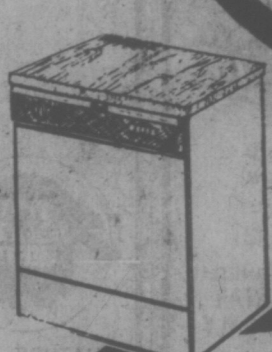
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LE 3 FÉVRIER, 1978, 9 h 30

Le Conseil de la Radio-Télévision canadienne tiendra une audience publique qui s'ouvrira le 3 février 1978 à l'Hotel Hyatt Regency, 855 rue Burrard, Vancouver (Colombie-Britannique) afin d'étudier ce qui suit:

SOCIÉTÉ RADIO-CANADA,
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Endroit où l'on peut examiner la demande:
Bureau de l'ingénieur régional
747 rue Bute,
Vancouver (Colombie-Britannique)

RENSEIGNEMENTS À PROPOS DES DEMANDES

Droit d'intervention: En vertu des règles de procédure du Conseil concernant les audiences publiques, quiconque s'intéresse à une demande peut déposer une intervention écrite auprès du Conseil afin d'appuyer une demande, de s'y opposer ou de suggérer qu'elle soit modifiée. D'autre part, quiconque le désire peut déposer une plainte ou autre auprès du Conseil concernant des questions de radiodiffusion qui seront étudiées lors de l'audience publique.

De telles interventions ou représentations devront comprendre le nom, l'adresse et le numéro de téléphone de la personne soumettant le document et devront être expédiées au bureau du sous-secrétaire, Conseil de la Radio-Télévision canadienne, 100 rue Metcalfe, Ottawa (Ontario) K1A 0N2.

Toutes les interventions et représentations concernant des questions qui seront étudiées lors de l'audience publique devront être déposées aux bureaux du Conseil au plus tard le 19 janvier, 1978.

D'autre part, toutes les interventions et représentations concernant toute demande d'un document figurant dans cet avis devront être signifiées au requérant intéressé directement ou par lettre recommandée au plus tard le 19 janvier, 1978.

Il faudra joindre à la copie adressée au CRIC le récépissé de la poste, le reçu du messageur ou autre preuve attestant que le requérant a bien reçu sa copie.

Bien qu'il n'y ait pas de forme particulière à suivre dans les interventions, les règles de procédure du Conseil exigent que les interventions fassent état des intérêts de l'intervenant et comprennent un exposé clair et succinct des faits et des motifs pour lesquels l'intervenant appuie la demande s'y oppose ou suggère de la modifier.

Examen des documents: Quiconque le désire peut examiner les documents soit au siège du CRIC, 100 rue Metcalfe, pièce 1001, Ottawa (Ontario), soit à l'endroit indiqué dans le présent avis.

Procédure (audience): Les règles de procédure du CRIC stipulent les droits et les obligations des parties intéressées sont disponibles à l'information Canada.

Renseignements: Pour obtenir de plus amples renseignements à propos des demandes qui seront étudiées au cours de l'audience, prière de communiquer avec le CRIC par courrier ou en téléphonant aux numéros (813) 956-2294 ou 956-6957.

Guy Lafabre,
Le directeur général,
Gestion des politiques de licences.

Avis public du CRIC 1978-120.

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Radio-Télévision
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Students Stage Charlie Brown



SNOOPY is played by Angie Pietarinen (right in above photo) and Carole Ireland is a pianist. Picture at right shows Carolyn MacDonald in back (Patty) and Dawn Wilson (Lucy).

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The show, "You're a Good Man Charlie Brown," will be the real thing, he says, as opposed to "fun and games."

The first show produced on a full scale by the students, it features all-student musicians led by Victoria's outstanding young pianist Miranda Wong. Stephen Ashwell will play Charlie Brown; Angie Pietarinen, 30042; Dawn Wilson will be Lucy; Sue Spender, the philosophical Linus; Carolyn MacDonald, Patty; and Geoff Burns, the long-suffering Schroeder.

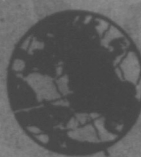
The play will be staged at

Open Space, Jan. 15, 16 and 17 at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$2.50 per adult; students and senior citizens, \$1.50. Reservations can be made at 598-3336.

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Totem Event Finally Comes to Victoria

Curlers Compete In Zone Playoff,

Twenty-two rinks representing clubs from the Victoria and Duncan areas will compete in the Women's South Island Zone playdowns at the Playland Curling Club Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Two rinks will qualify for the Island championship at Nanaimo, Jan. 16-18, against two rinks from the North Island in a round-robin series.

The provincial championship will be held at Quesnel, starting Feb. 7.

First draw is scheduled for 3 p.m. Friday with the second

draw at 5:45 p.m. Play continues Saturday at 9 a.m.

Opening draws:

3 P.M. FRIDAY

Jan. Carlisle (P) vs. Orlie Reid (V); Claire Duncan (V) vs. Helen Garraway (R); Ellie Gies (D) vs. Len Johnson (R); Mary Stewart (V) vs. June Boyd (D); Glenda Barrett (D) vs. Horeen Sudbranson (R); Mary Matheson (R) vs. Isabel Heller (D).

5:45 P.M. FRIDAY

Margaret Brindley (R) vs. Judy Christensen (V); Lou Johnson (P) vs. Audrey Orlie (R); Phyllis Bird (V) vs. Tara Batters (P); Phyllis Martin (V) vs. Audrey Webb (P); Helen Griffin (P) vs. Joan Hepburn (D); Kay Duncanson (R-Racquet Club); Duncanson (R) vs. V-Victoria; E-Esquamalt.

It's official. Victoria will host the 1976 Totem bonspiel. Pacific Coast Curling Association president Ken McLeod of Vancouver passed along official confirmation Tuesday.

CCF Eda Moyes, chairman of curling at the Racquet Club, said Tuesday the confirmation climaxes 10 years of bidding for the event.

Moyes sees the 1976 affair as "the biggest bonspiel ever staged in Victoria."

The PCCA has approved a Victoria recommendation that the customary limit of 128 rinks be waived.

"We'll take as many rinks as we can possibly handle," said Moyes. "It's a guess, but I'll say there will be at least 150 rinks."

Virtually every "name" rink on the West Coast can be expected.

While there may be a novelty in the fact that the 'spiel will be staged in Victoria, one of the major attractions is a

side-door entry into the Coast men's curling playdowns.

Finalists from each of the first two events as well as winners of four other events qualify for a special playoff.

Duncan Bonspiel

DUNCAN — Fifty-two rinks begin play Thursday in the 24th annual men's bonspiel at Duncan Curling Club.

Competition will continue through to Sunday, when finals in all events will get underway at 5 p.m.

Opening draws:

THURSDAY 5 P.M.

H. Macdonald (P) vs. G. Harper (D); D. Shubbs (P) vs. H. Rodhouse (D); V. Kamick (D) vs. A. Thompson (R); H. Brantling (L) vs. H. Zuehlke (D); D. Lowden (V) vs. G. Smith (D).

5:15 P.M.

B. Nelson (D) vs. S. McKinley (D); J. James (D) vs. D. Gregory (D).

The top two rinks of the eight-rink playoff draw automatic berths in the Coast men's final.

The event is annually staged during the last week in

November.

All six curling clubs in the Greater Victoria area—Victoria, Esquimalt, Racquet Club, Playland, Oak Bay and Juan de Fuca—are expected to be used.

INNESS SENT DOWN — Pittsburgh Penguins announced Monday that goalie Gary Inness has been sent down to the club's American Hockey League farm team.

REQUEST WEEKEND details — dial CKDA 1220

Notice of Public Hearing

Ottawa, December 23, 1975.

ISSUE No. 2 VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA FEBRUARY 3, 1976, 9:30 A.M.

The Canadian Radio-Television Commission will hold a public hearing beginning on February 3, 1976 at the Empress Hotel, Government Street, Victoria, British Columbia to consider the following:

URBAN CABLEVISION LTD., 2068 PAULS TERRACE, VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA V8N 4M1.

Langford — Sooke, British Columbia (75152300)

Application to amend its cable broadcasting licence for Langford—Sooke, British Columbia, as follows:

Present Maximum Fees	Proposed Maximum Fees
\$15.00 (Langford)	\$25.00
\$25.00 (Sooke)	\$6.00
\$ 5.00	

Installation fee Monthly fee

The above are maximum fees, however, the applicant has or proposes special fees and these are detailed in the application.

Location where the application may be examined: 1529 Reginald Place, Victoria, British Columbia

CANADIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION, 1900 BRONSON AVENUE, OTTAWA, ONTARIO, K1G 3J5.

Application for a broadcasting licence for an English language television station at Victoria, British Columbia to provide full CBC English language television network service.

Technical data: Channel: 10 Effective radiated power: 160,000 watts (video)

Location where the application may be examined: Main Post Office, 1230 Government Street, Victoria, British Columbia

CAPITAL BROADCASTING SYSTEM LIMITED, P.O. BOX 987, VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA, V8W 2B5.

Application for renewal of its broadcasting licence for CFMS-FM Victoria, British Columbia expiring September 30, 1976.

Location where the application may be examined: 1450 Douglas Street, Victoria, British Columbia, V8W 2G1

VICTORIA CABLEVISION LTD., 3099 SHELBOURNE STREET, VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA, V8P 4H3.

Application to amend its cable television broadcasting licence for Victoria, Saanich, Esquimalt and Oak Bay, British Columbia as follows:

Present	Proposed
\$15.00	\$25.00
\$ 4.50	\$ 6.00

Installation fee Monthly fee

The above are maximum fees, however, the applicant has or proposes special fees and these are detailed in the application. The proposed charges include the distribution of additional programming in the augmented channel service but do not include the provision of the converter device on the subscribers' premises.

- Service on Channels 2 to 13
- to delete the reception and distribution of KIRO-TV Seattle, Washington from Channel 7.
 - to add the reception and distribution of Western Approaches Limited on Channel 7.
 - to delete the reception and distribution of KTVW Tacoma, Washington from Channel 13.

- Augmented channel service:
- to add the reception and distribution of KIRO Channel 7, Seattle, Washington on Channel 6.
 - to add special community channel (Public Information) on Channel 4.
 - to add special community channel (Actor's Showcase) on Channel 8.
 - to add special community channel (Public Access) on Channel 1.
 - to add special community channel (Municipal Services) on Channel 10.
 - to add special community channel (Senior Citizens) on Channel 11.
 - to add special community channel (Adult Education) on Channel 9.
 - to add special community channel (Provincial Affairs) on Channel 12.

Location where the application may be examined: 3090 Shelbourne Street, Victoria, British Columbia, V8P 4H3

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Saanich, British Columbia (75151500)

Application to transfer 10 common shares (being all the issued shares) from R. V. Milne (S) and Davin Audio-View Ltd. (S) to Columet CATV Limited.

Location where the application may be examined: 4528 Viewmont Avenue, Victoria, British Columbia, V8Z 6A9

SALT SPRING CABLEVISION (1972) LTD., P.O. BOX 499, GANGES, BRITISH COLUMBIA, V0S 1B0.

Salt Spring Island, British Columbia (751279100)

Application to amend its cable television broadcasting licence for Salt Spring Island, British Columbia as follows:

Present Maximum Fees	Proposed Maximum Fees
\$19.00	\$25.00
\$ 6.00	\$ 8.00

Installation fee Monthly fee

The above are maximum fees, however, the applicant has or proposes special fees and these are detailed in the application.

Location where the application may be examined: c/o B. Logan, R. R. No. 1, Madrona Drive, Ganges, British Columbia

LAKE VIDEO SERVICE LTD., P.O. BOX 141, LAKE COWICHAN, BRITISH COLUMBIA, V0R 2G0.

Application for renewal of its broadcasting licence for its cable television broadcasting undertaking serving Lake Cowichan, Measche Lake and Honeycomb Bay, British Columbia expiring March 31, 1976.

Location where the application may be examined: 74 South Shore Road, Box 141, Lake Cowichan, British Columbia, V0R 2G0

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA FEBRUARY 3, 1976, 9:30 A.M.

The Canadian Radio-Television Commission will hold a public hearing beginning on February 3, 1976 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, 655 Burrard Street, Vancouver, British Columbia to consider the following:

CANADIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION, 1500 BRONSON AVENUE, OTTAWA, ONTARIO, K1G 3J5.

Application under the Accelerated Coverage Plan for a broadcasting licence for a UHF television station at Vancouver, British Columbia to broadcast the programs of the CBC French language television network.

Location where the application may be examined: Office of Regional Engineer, 747 Bute Street, Vancouver, British Columbia.

INFORMATION ON APPLICATIONS

Right to comment: Under the Commission's Rules of Procedure for public hearings, any person who is interested in an application may file a written intervention with the Commission for the purpose of supporting, opposing or requesting a modification of the application. Also, anyone may file in writing a complaint or other representation to the Commission respecting broadcasting matters to be considered at this Public Hearing.

Such interventions or representations should contain the name, address and telephone number of the persons submitting the document and be sent to the undersigned at the Canadian Radio Television Commission, 100 Metcalfe Street, Ottawa, Ontario, K1A 0N2.

All interventions and representations concerning matters to be considered at this Public Hearing must be received at the Commission Office by January 19, 1976. Also, all interventions and representations which concern or affect any application of an applicant shown on this Notice must be served on such applicant personally or by registered mail on or before January 19, 1976.

It is necessary to attach the postal or messenger receipt, or other proof of service to the copy filed with the CRTC giving proof that the applicant has received his copy.

While there is no specific form which interventions must follow, the Commission's Rules of Procedure require that interventions describe the interest of the intervenor and contain a clear and concise statement of the relevant facts and grounds upon which the intervenor's support for, opposition to or proposed modification of the application is based.

Viewing of documents: Anyone can view the applications at either the office of the CRTC, 100 Metcalfe Street, Room 1601, Ottawa, Ontario or at the local address given in this Notice for examination of the application.

Procedure at Hearings: The CRTC Rules of Procedure setting out the rights and obligations of the parties to a hearing are available from Information Canada.

Information: For additional information on the applications at the hearing, please contact the CRTC in writing or by phone 613-996-2294 or 695-6957.

Guy Lefebvre, Director-General of Licensing.

CRTC — Public Notice — 1975-119 & 120.

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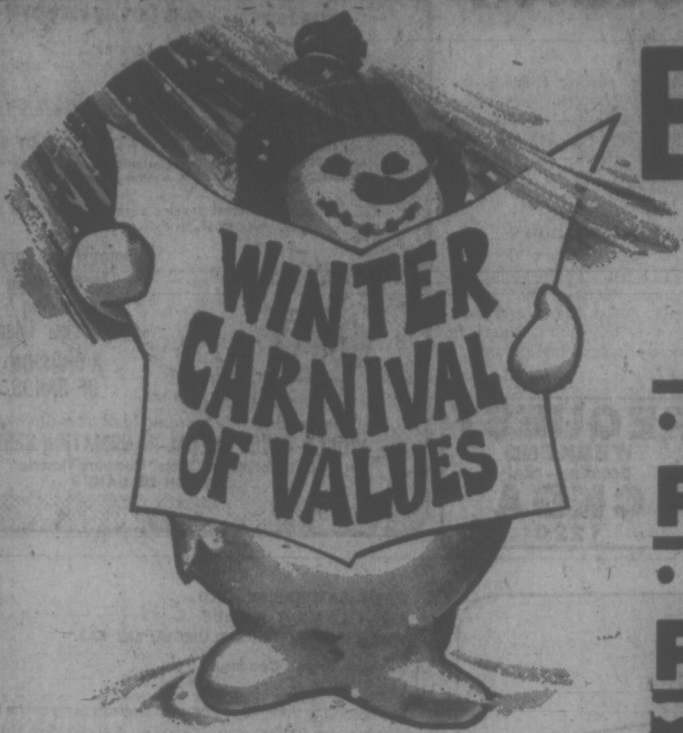
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Caroline Kennedy was named the worst-dressed woman of the year Tuesday by fashion designer Mr. Blackwell. His list of 10 worst dressed—which traditionally featured mostly movie stars—includes Nancy Kissinger as "a travelling fashion stew" and Princess Ann "as a royal auto mechanic." The last rung on the list was reserved for rock star Elton John,

of whom Blackwell said: "He would be the campiest spectacle in the Rose Parade if he entered." The selection of Miss Kennedy drew a barrage of questions from reporters gathered at Blackwell's Los Angeles mansion. He conceded that Miss Kennedy, 18, may be offended, but said he did not believe she would be hurt by his criticism.

SPY BURIED WITH FULL MILITARY HONORS

WASHINGTON — Richard Welch, who had headed the CIA in Athens until he was slain, was buried Tuesday at Arlington National Cemetery, the first United States secret agent to be honored by a president's attendance at his funeral. President Ford, State Secretary Henry Kissinger and CIA Director William Colby attended the 20-minute funeral service conducted at nearby

Fort Myer, Va. by Col. Duncan Stewart, an army chaplain. The president offered condolences to Welch's widow and shook hands with other members of the Welch family after the chaplain read from scriptures and led some 500 mourners in prayer. The agent's body was borne to the cemetery in a flag-draped casket.

Welch, shot two weeks ago outside his home in Athens, was buried with a military ceremony. The president had waived restrictions limiting Arlington National Cemetery to members of the armed forces. Meanwhile in Athens, police said they still have no clues that might lead them to Welch's three masked assailants.

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This U.S. Candidate Just Face in Crowd

WASHINGTON—As a presidential candidate, Paul Lanyhow is just a face in the crowd, and nobody knows which one. He is running under an assumed name, Lanyhow is the alias of a man who calls himself a phantom candidate. He seeks anonymity while most other candidates are trying to avoid it. After all 62 Americans have already notified the Federal Election Commission that they are running for the White House. The elusive Lanyhow advised the commission he was using that alias so that factors like personality and charisma would not divert attention from the issue of national unity.

TORONTO — A Toronto woman who was forcibly taken a year ago from the Hare Krishna religious cult says she voluntarily rejoined the Toronto Krishna temple just before Christmas. Linda Epstein, 20, taken from the cult by Ted Patrick, a United States anti-cult crusader, says in an affidavit sworn before a lawyer that she has re-entered the temple "through my own volition."

LOWER SLAUGHTER, England—Major David Fleming, 37-year-old nephew of Ian Fleming, the creator of James Bond, killed himself

accidentally while trying to burn down his own squash court and stables, a coroner ruled Tuesday. Fleming was killed Nov. 8 in a gasoline explosion on his 1450-acre estate. His motives in trying to burn down his property were not immediately explained.

CHICAGO — Literary appraiser Ralph Newman, convicted of falsifying documents that helped former president Richard Nixon get more than \$450,000 in income tax deductions, was fined \$10,000 Tuesday.

MOUNT CLEMENS, Mich. — Three youths who pleaded guilty to singing Christmas carols in the nude have been ordered by a court to clean up their act and do an encore next year. Putting aside the maximum of \$100 or 90 days in jail, District Court Judge Harry Burkart deferred judgment until next January on condition the three return to the same neighborhood next Christmas to carol in proper attire.

WINDSOR, Ont. — City council is upset because a sign reading Welcome to Ontario has been erected on the highway leaving the city and suggests that Windsor is not part of the province, Mayor Bert Weeks said Tuesday.

ST. LOUIS — The 8th circuit Court of Appeals ordered Tuesday the removal of U.S. district judge Miles Lord from the largest U.S. anti-pollution case. In a 16-page opinion, the court said Lord "seems to have shed the robe of the judge and assumed the mantle of the advocate" in the case of Reserve Mining Co. of Silver Bay, Minn.

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Watergate Lawyers Off Again

WASHINGTON (AP) — Robert Mardian was there. H. R. Haldeman, John Ehrlichman and John Mitchell weren't, although all the legal talk was about their joint trial in the Watergate cover-up case.

It was more a reunion of their lawyers, arguing Tuesday before the U.S. Court of Appeals why the convictions of the Watergate figures should not be allowed to stand.

It is likely to be three months or more before the court rules. Meanwhile, the four men will remain free as they have been since the jury returned its verdict on New Year's Day 1975.

Mardian and his wife, Dorothy, slipped almost unnoticed into the courtroom to hear his lawyer say: "Mardian's case should never have gone to the jury."

Lawyer David Ginsburg said Mardian, a lawyer for the Richard Nixon re-election committee at the time of the June 1972 Watergate break-in, never was part of a conspiracy.

But Peter Kreindler, representing the special Watergate prosecutor, said the evidence presented at the trial showed "Mardian was a central figure in the planning of this conspiracy."

Mardian was convicted only of conspiring with the others in the cover-up and was sentenced to serve 10 months to three years. Haldeman, Ehrlichman and Mitchell, convicted also of obstructing justice and separate counts of lying under oath, were sentenced to 2½ to eight years in prison.

Their lawyers each argued different points in the appeal, although they said they were speaking for all defendants where it applied.

Teachers Fired for Putting Boy in Box

BUTTE, Mont. (AP) — Two teachers who confined a retarded child in a small "behavioral modification" box will be fired and the school principal will be demoted, officials disclosed Tuesday.

The fate of the three educators in the "boy-in-the-box" furor was announced by the school district superintendent, Forrest Wilson, in a statement issued by the board of trustees.

The October disclosure that two teachers locked a 12-year-old retarded student in a wooden 4½x4½x3-foot box generated public outcry. The box had no interior illumination, almost no ventilation and just two small silver-dollar-sized holes for observation.

The teachers claimed use of the device was reasonable to control violent behavior. Relatives of the youngster said the

treatment was cruel and caused the boy emotional problems.

The school board's decisions were made by majority vote during a closed meeting Monday night but were kept secret until after Wilson advised the teachers Tuesday.

The board ruled the two teachers will be allowed to serve through the school year but their contracts will not be

renewed for next year. The principal will be demoted to a regular teaching post, effective next September.

Principal Don Herrington left his office after being advised of the board's decision and could not be reached for comment.

The teachers, Gayle Slagg, 24, and Sallie Usher, 29, declined comment and said they would consult a lawyer re-

tained by the Butte local of the Montana Federation of teachers.

Other special-education instructors in Montana have said isolation is a proper technique for modifying behavior of retarded children but contended the Butte box was too small and otherwise unfit for good results. The box has not been used since last October when it was placed in storage.

Wallace Lied To Alabama, Says Writer

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (UPI) — Author William Bradford Huie says George Wallace's political career is based on a "contrived lie" and pledges a campaign to convince voters not to support the Alabama governor in presidential primaries.

"We're going to do quite a job on Wallace," Huie said this week. "We're going to impeach him in the State of Alabama."

In an article scheduled for publication Thursday in the Village Voice, a weekly newspaper in New York, Huie said Wallace arranged for voting records to be turned over to federal authorities, but told reporters and others that he defied a federal court order to do so.

The Huie article said Wallace, nearing the end of his term in 1958 as a circuit court judge, was ordered by U.S. District Judge Frank Johnson to turn over voting records from his district to the federal Civil Rights Commission.

Huie said Wallace, who lost a race for governor earlier that year, arranged secretly for a county grand jury to turn over the records, but pretended to defy Johnson's order to gain support from whites for his 1962 gubernatorial campaign.

Insane 'Dr. X' Poisoned Nine?

NEW YORK (UPI) — The Bergen County prosecutor is reopening a 10-year-old investigation into whether at least nine persons were poisoned by a staff doctor at a hospital in Oradell, N.J., the New York Times reported today.

The Times said prosecutor Joseph Woodcock Jr. is preparing to exhumate perhaps six bodies to determine the possible presence of curare, a commonly used muscle-relaxing drug that, when improperly administered, paralyzes respiratory organs.

Woodcock confirmed early today the bodies would be exhumed in the near future.

The paper said Dr. Michael Baden, New York City's deputy chief medical examiner and a renowned forensic pathologist, has indicated to Woodcock that at least nine of 13 deaths were "not explainable by the natural disease

processes" and are "consistent with a respiratory depressant such as curare."

Woodcock said today that his office was prompted to reopen the investigation by similar investigations into the deaths of patients at a Veterans' Administration hospital in Michigan.

He also said scientific advances have made it easier to test for the presence of curare.

An injection of curare can paralyze the breathing muscles and kill within 10 minutes.

In 1966, the Times said, then-county prosecutor Guy Calissi investigated 13 suspicious deaths at Riverdel Hospital, an osteopathic facility.

The paper said Calissi did not notify the families of the deceased of the probe and closed the case after two

weeks, despite "conflicting statements and unresolved questions."

Calissi's investigation revolved around a doctor at Riverdel who, Calissi theorized, either was insane or tried to enhance his own career by discrediting other doctors at the hospital by murdering their patients, the Times said.

The Times said it would not identify the doctor — whom it referred to only as "Dr. X" — because he still maintains a practice in New Jersey.

The Times said another doctor at the hospital found 18 empty vials labelled "curare" in Dr. X's hospital locker.

This led hospital directors to approach Calissi, the paper said, but Dr. X, claiming that he was "framed," said he used curare for experiments on dying dogs at a nearby medical school.

Rosenberg Documents Withheld?

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Sons of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg say the FBI has withheld thousands of pages of records on the Rosenberg atomic espionage case in "wilful" violation of a court order that most of them be made public.

They have asked U.S. district court to hold FBI director Clarence Kelley and two FBI agents in contempt for allegedly failing to comply with a court order to release all records that are not exempted by law.

The Rosenberg sons, Robert and Michael Meeropol, had sued under the freedom of information act for all records of the investigation and prosecution that led to conviction of their parents as atomic spies for Russia and their execution in 1953.

As a result of the suits, the FBI has released 29,900 pages of records, but attorneys for the Meeropols charge that the FBI withheld nearly 300,000 pages rather than 7,000.

CIA, LIFE MAG LED CUBA RAID

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI) — A raiding party supported by the CIA and financed by Life Magazine was shuttled to Cuba in 1963 in an attempt to prove the island still contained hidden Russian missiles, City Magazine reported today.

In a copyright article, writers Warren Hinckle and William Turner said William Fawley, former ambassador to Brazil and Peru, piloted the yacht for the luckless expedition.

Led by Eddie Bayo, a Cuban exile who defected to the CIA, a group of commandoes landed off the southeast

coast of Cuba June 8, 1963, never to be heard from again, the article said.

The writers said the mission was carried out without the knowledge of President John Kennedy. Its purpose, they said, was to return to the United States with two Russian missile technicians who reportedly wanted to defect but needed help in escaping.

Hinckle, editor of City Magazine and former editor of Ramparts, said he and William Turner, a former FBI agent, substantiated the accuracy of the expedition during a two-year investigation of the CIA's secret war.



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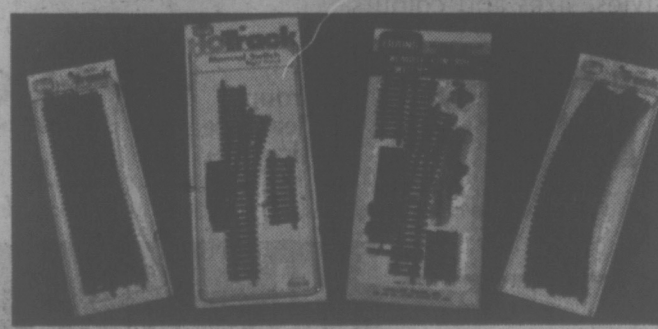


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Trio Won't Pay Strike Fines

CHARGE QUASHED

VANCOUVER (CP) — A charge of common assault laid against Peter Whitaker, president of the Vancouver local of the Canadian Union of Postal Workers, was dismissed in provincial court Tuesday.

The charge was laid by Max Jacobson, post office personnel manager, during the postal strike last November. He alleged Whitaker struck him when he crossed a union picket line.

Judge Les Bewley dismissed the charge after several witnesses said Whitaker had acted in self defence.

KELOWNA (CP) — Three postal workers who crossed picket lines and returned to work during the recent national strike say they will refuse to pay any fines levied against them by the union.

The three members of the Canadian Union of Postal Workers' local say they are not worried about permanent suspension from the union.

Robin Davies, local president, said Tuesday that charges against the three members will have to wait until the national postal workers' convention in 1977 when the delegates will decide the fate of all those who crossed picket lines.

The Kelowna CUPW local had intended to lay charges against Mike Prietchuk, Harold Langham and Emmett Petch within two weeks of their return to work. Normally the local would have to lay charges within 60 days of the Nov. 19 crossover but a hearing on the matter has been waived by the national executive, Davies said.

The three were suspended immediately Nov. 19 and were not allowed to vote on the contract.

Davies said they will remain under suspension until the 1977 convention. The workers continue in their jobs and pay union dues but do not have union rights.

B.C. Grads: Unemployed Employables

VANCOUVER (CP) — British Columbia downgrades vocational and technical education in favor of academic learning and the result is "one of the highest qualified groups of unemployed employables in the world," R. S. Azad said Tuesday.

The associate Deputy minister of labor told a seminar that more education — in terms of university degrees — does not mean better education.

Academic facilities are better than those for vocational and technical training "and when you deny equal treatment to an institution, you deny equal rights to its students," he said.

Azad said more advertisements for machinists, welders and millwrights are placed in newspapers than for people with university degrees, but technical training facilities are outdated.

Dr. Jon Wheatley, dean of graduate studies at Simon Fraser University, said the federal government should assume more responsibility for providing technical and vocational education.

Alcan Accepts Guideline Pay

KITIMAT (CP) — Alcan workers voted Tuesday in favor of a two-year agreement which falls within the federal anti-inflation guidelines.

The Anti-Inflation Board earlier rejected a request from the Canadian Association of Smelter and Allied Workers that the 1,800 Alcan workers be exempted from the guidelines.

Alcan personnel manager Jim Clifford said wages will

increase 8.9 per cent in the first year and 5.33 per cent in the second year.

He said the same wage proposals were made in a company offer rejected by CASAW last fall but the contract accepted Tuesday includes "avenues for appeal in the event the guidelines should be rescinded."

Clifford said if the guidelines are rescinded, a cost-of-living increase would come into effect.

Before the Judge

The high cost of laying, then withdrawing assault charges in connection with family disputes was cited twice in the Tuesday sitting of Judge R. B. Allan's provincial court.

A recurring and time-wasting problem, these cases usually start with a man-wife dispute and the wife charging her mate with assault, followed by numerous court remands and finally an application to drop the charges.

"People will have to realize when they swear an information (of complaint) the machinery of the court is set in motion and causes a great deal of time and effort to be put in," the judge said.

He cited the public expense in processing these matters and said he thought there should be some way of assessing the costs to people who initiate the charges.

He agreed to a withdrawal of a common assault charge against Larry C. Dyck, 47, of Vancouver, arising from an information sworn in February, 1975, and to a stay of proceedings on a charge of assault causing bodily harm against Edward William Heeb, of CFB Esquimalt, dating from last August.

In both cases the court was told there was reconciliation of the principals.

Judge Allan fined Sharon Darlene Luther, 15, of Victoria, \$35 when she pleaded guilty to shoplifting \$5.37 worth of items from Safeway Disco Centre, Dec. 30. Court was told she placed two tins of fish, a package of wieners, candy and mouth spray in her purse and attempted to leave the store without checking them out.

Thomas G. Lidston, 45, Boyd, was found guilty of assaulting apartment owner Albert Bekes, 60, of 3405 Midland, on Oct. 18.

Bekes was struck several times about the head and face and knocked to the ground. Lidston then tried to kick and step on him before two women, including Lidston's wife intervened. Bekes was treated at hospital for his injuries.

Lidston was fined \$100.

Airport Car Rent Bids Open

VANCOUVER (CP) — Car leasing firms of all sizes will be able to submit tenders to obtain leases for space in the 17 federally-administered airports in the Pacific region, Dale Clark, marketing and properties manager for the area, said.

Tenders for airport car rentals likely will be called within a few months, he said, and for the first time, the three-year leases will be open to locally-based and smaller firms than the big four — Hertz, Avis, Tilden and Budget.

Clark said that under the former guidelines, companies had to be based in at least 50 per cent of Canada's airport centres to be eligible to bid for terminal space.

Most local companies, including more than 50 in the Vancouver area, will be eligible now, he said.

Toronto's Former Mayor Dies

TORONTO (CP) — Nathan Phillips, Mayor of Toronto from 1955 until 1962, died in hospital early today after a long illness. He was 83.

Phillips, who had suffered several heart attacks in recent years, was admitted to hospital last month.

A native of Cornwall, Ont., Phillips became mayor for the first time when he won over incumbent Leslie Saunders by only 4,000 votes.

But before he lost out to Donald Somerville in 1962, he had served a record eight years in office.

One of his best-known accomplishments was the building of the new city hall, a job that was not completed until he was out of office.

B.C. Pen Defies Court?

NEW WESTMINSTER (CP) — A British Columbia penitentiary prisoner said Tuesday he is still being held in solitary confinement despite a Federal Court of Canada declaration that solitary at the institution was "cruel and unusual punishment."

Andrew Bruce was one of

eight prisoners who received the declaration in a written judgment from Mr. Justice D. V. Heald.

Bruce was appearing Tuesday before Judge Philip Gowan, who told him he might have grounds for legal proceedings.

Bruce, Claire Wilson and Dwight Lucas, all serving life

sentences, have been trying to have murder charges laid against Albert Hollinger, a former penitentiary officer, in the death of classification officer Mary Steinhauser in a June hostage-taking incident.

They each face charges arising from the incident. Preliminary hearing is set for Jan. 12.

ANOTHER CIVIC VOTE VOIDED

PRINCE GEORGE (CP) — Judge C. R. Landers of county court has ruled invalid the Nov. 15 civic election in Fraser-Fort George regional district because persons who were not entitled to vote had cast ballots.

In the election, Dr. Vern Johnson, who had

164 votes, defeated elementary school teacher Joan Dimitrasinovic by one vote to win a seat as district representative. A third candidate, James Hamilton, received 18 votes.

Regional district administrator Bill Kennedy said a second election will be held in March.

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Pot roast: Delicious hot, and better cold

It May Not Be Fancy, But It's Very Tasty

By TINY BENNETT

Around this time of year I have usually been so busy with holiday meals that I go in for a few simple dishes that can be put together and cooked with minimum fuss and preparation.

So this week I'll present some honest plain food to offset all the rich fare.

Don't be fooled though, because a dish is easy doesn't mean that it is any less fine than the fancy footaraws. I'll take my own version of pot roast over much of the so-called gourmet cooking that's passing around these days. This is a really great North American dish that uses inexpensive beef cuts and extracts maximum flavor and nourishment.

The pot roast is applied to larger cuts of meat, usually beef that is browned in fat and poached slowly in a closed pot on top of the stove.

Most recipes call for the meat to be cooked slowly in a very small amount of liquid, often with such added taste items as dried ginger or dried fruit. These are nice at times but in my opinion a fine plain pot roast of beef is a joy unto itself. I cook mine in quite a lot of rich stock, with a mix of cut vegetables for added flavor.

Since the moist cooking tenderizes the meat, the cheaper cuts of beef are your best choice. These harder-working parts from the steer are far more flavorful than most of the fine beef roasts.

My first choice is rolled brisket, if I can get hold of some really lean pieces — recently I bought a magnificent batch on special at \$1.05 a pound. However fine lean blade beef, chuck, arm, heel of the round all are good. Don't use a sirloin tip or rump roast for this dish, save them for roasting, save a few bucks by buying the cheaper cuts mentioned here — they are delicious hot and even better cold next day.

TINY'S SIMPLE POT ROAST:

Use a piece of beef large enough to make up two successive dinners, to save time, energy and to be able to enjoy lovely cold pot roast the following day with mashed potatoes and salad, or fresh green vegetables.

If frozen, allow just enough defrosting time to soften the outside of the meat, so those rich juices remain locked in the frozen interior. That "blood" so many throw away from fully defrosted meat is, really rich meat juices that add flavor and tenderness.

Select your smallest pot that will fully contain the piece of meat with any fatty side on top and allow room at the sides for a few flavoring vegetables.

Put in two tablespoons vegetable shortening, or better, two tablespoons light cooking oil and one tablespoon margarine. This is so rich, it is a waste to use butter and vegetable fat reduces cholesterol content.

When the fat sizzles, bring the meat to an even brown on all sides to give good color and seal in flavor and while turning to all sides, sprinkle with a very little flour, salt, pepper, paprika, thyme and cummin. I'm a paprika-freak, so I use a lot of this lovely spice but thyme and even more so cummin are so overpowering, they call for just one pinch each.

Turn the meat so any sheath of fat sits on top and pour in rich stock to two-thirds the way up the meat. Now drop thin slices of onion, white turnip, carrot and celery down all the sides of the meat, clap on the lid and turn down to medium heat.

Even though the centre of the meat is frozen, it only takes a minute or two before the pot is bubbling madly, at which point, turn the heat down so the pot just barely simmers. Depending upon size, it takes an average of

two to four hours to cook to perfection and the best guide is to stick a meat thermometer deep into the heart of the meat from time to time.

A reading of between 150 to 160 is just about right. If it starts to reach this temperature, a long time before dinner, take it off the heat at 140 and allow the meat to cool off IN THE LIQUID. Then put it back on to heat up 35 minutes before dinner.

Do use a meat thermometer on this, so your pot roast carves like a regular roast and doesn't fall to pieces before the knife. But even if it does, it is still delicious.

After the first dinner, pop the meat back into the pot to cool and when chilled, remove the layer of fat from the top and refrigerate. Now you can either slice the meat and re-heat the next day for a hot meal or slice and wrap for the cold dinner I suggested. But always strain the vegetables from the pot and use that delicious rich stock as the base for vegetable soup. Take off the cold fat, add an equal amount of cold water and pile on diced onion, white turnip, celery, carrot and potato, season, simmer and serve.

BAN ON SODAS PROMPTED SUNDAES

NEW YORK — Ice cream sodas were born in 1854 when a concessionaire at a Philadelphia fair ran out of the sweet cream he used in his flavored soda drinks and substituted vanilla ice cream.

The new confection became an overnight success. In fact, ice cream sodas became so popular that in some Midwestern communities blue-nosed citizens made them an object of Sunday blue laws, banning their sale on the Sabbath. An ingenious soda-fountain opera-

tor in Illinois found a way around the prohibition: he kept the ice cream and the syrup and left out the soda — calling his new creation a "Sunday soda." Popularly, they were known as "Sundays" until what was probably another overzealous soul changed the spelling to sundae.

This is one of the many little-known facts in the development of famous North American goods, gleaned from the food section of a new book in

the U.S. called *The Story of America*.

Another — did you know that potato chips were developed by a man named George Crumb. He was an American Indian chef at a resort hotel in Saratoga Springs, N.Y. One evening in the mid-19th century a fastidious diner repeatedly sent back his french fries, complaining they were too thick. Furious, Crumb sliced potatoes paper thin and threw them in the boiling oil. When done, he served them up as

Saratoga chips. For a while they were a Saratoga specialty, but you can't contain a good thing and they soon became one of America's favorite snacks.

The St. Louis Fair of 1904 may not be remembered by many today, but three of its food innovations are: iced tea, the hamburger and the ice

cream cone. The cone was an invention of necessity. When an ice cream stand ran short of plates, a neighboring vendor of Persian pastry twisted his wafers into cone-shaped cups. A Government antipollution expert recently called the ice cream cone "the only ecologically sound package known."

Women, Chivalry Clash In Picking Up the Tab

New York Times

NEW YORK — You're a woman in a good job; you've asked a man to lunch; it's all gone very well. Now comes the moment of truth:

The check arrives. An unthinking waiter plunks it down in front of him. Do you panic, wrestle him for it, slip him money under the table?

As women climb up the corporate ladder, more of them are on the paying end of the expensive account lunch. Is picking up the check traumatic?

A number of successful women who dine and feed their male colleagues say times have changed. Men are getting used to the idea that the woman often pays, and headwaiters realize that the banker at the table is not necessarily the bankroller.

Still, chivalry is not entirely dead and most check-paying women are careful not to offend the sensitive male by flashing cold cash while he squirms.

The experiences of women executives vary, but there is one point most of them agree on — the matter of wine. The chauvinist streak in wine snobs is slow in dying. Even if they order the wine, the women say, almost always it is poured for the man to taste.

Terry Reynolds, a fashion adviser for J. C. Penney, who takes manufacturers' textile people and designers to lunch. Sometimes she lunches her guests at a midtown Manhattan restaurant such as the Ground Floor.

"I try to get there a bit early and give the headwaiter my credit card," she said. "Or, I excuse myself to go to the ladies room and talk to the waiter. So that at the end of lunch, I say 'Shall we go?'"

"European men are more put out than Americans about you paying the check," she continued. "Sometimes they use my tactics — say they have to make a phone call and pay without my knowing it."

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Biscuit topping, celery seeds and butter
2 cups cooked chicken, good-sized pieces
1 stalk celery and leaves, chopped fine
1 small onion, diced fine
1 small can mushroom pieces or ½ cup
4 tablespoons butter
4 tablespoons flour
2 cups chicken broth or 1 can
1 cup cream or rich milk
Salt and pepper to taste
Pinch of thyme or poultry seasoning

Mix together in buttered baking dish, chicken, ham, celery, onion, and mushroom pieces. Melt butter in heavy pot and stir in flour until bubbly. Remove from heat to stir in chicken broth. Heat and stir until smooth and thickened. Gradually stir in

cream to make a thick, rich white sauce. Flavor and season to your own taste and pour over meat mixture in baking dish. Keep chicken pie hot in oven while you fix biscuit topping.

BISCUITS FOR TOPPING

2 cups sifted flour
3 teaspoons baking powder
1 teaspoon salt
¼ cup butter or shortening
2-3 cup cold milk
Sift flour, baking powder and salt together and cut in shortening. Add milk and mix quickly. Knead a few times on lightly-floured board and roll out to about ½-inch thick. Cut in squares or rounds to fit top of baking dish.

Sprinkle ¼ teaspoon celery seeds over biscuits, dot with butter and bake at 400 degrees for about 25 minutes.



New Ways to Cook The Common Carrot

HILDA BEASTALL

A vegetable available every day of the year at reasonable cost with little or no waste is surely a food source to be desired by everyone who eats — and who does not? When carrot's contribution of vitamin A to healthy eyes, skin and nails, one marvels at our carelessness in not using it every day of our lives.

I think the answer may be found in the funny papers — carrots have been the butt of jokes for the last 15 years, the same fate as befell spinach during the 1930's. Only of late has spinach and the associated vegetables again found acceptance at family meals.

Perhaps the new book by Ann Saling of Pacific Search Books, Seattle, Wash., will help to re-establish the carrot as a source of economical human food.

Called simply The Carrot Cookbook, this 160-page, soft-covered book contains 200 recipes, each using carrots in some form. There is a complete index as well as a list of contents showing the recipes by sections: appetizers, breads, soups, cookies, casseroles, dessert, meat and meatless sandwiches.

The recipes dealing with soups, salads and the main course dishes, with and without meat or fish, appear excellent material for local homemakers to work on for they parallel those already in use here.

When the writer has gone into breads and muffins using carrots, she has shown a strong tendency to add large quantities of baking soda and baking powder, often both in each recipe. The result is likely to be destruction of vitamin not only in the carrots but those in other fruit ingredients.

The only reason I can see for using 1 tablespoon of baking powder plus 1 teaspoon baking soda in "Yogurt Breakfast Bread" is to blow it up into an airy fluffy product.

This fluffiness is quite foreign to the texture the ingredients would produce if made with the one egg (included in the recipe) and, say, 1 teaspoon baking powder. Since the recipe also includes two-thirds cup of yogurt, I'm left wondering what happens to its beneficial bacteria after exposure to cooking heat and the baking powder-soda action.

Baking powder is made from cream of tartar and bicarbonate of soda (baking soda) plus a little corn flour or rice flour as a bulk producer. This means almost a doubling of baking soda when used with straight soda.

When the author gets into main dishes, it is a different story. These are appetizing, nutritious and attractive. She uses vegetables in variety,

dairy products and/or meat and fish.

The following recipe is reprinted from The Carrot Cookbook with the blessing of Pacific Search Books. The book by the way, is available locally in some bookstores at \$3.50, in softcover.

Nutty Carrot Loaf
Medium onion, ¼ chopped
Margarine, 3 tablespoons
Carrots, 2½ cups shredded (or cooked and mashed)
Celery, ¼ cup minced
Sharp Cheddar Cheese, 1 cup shredded

Dry Bread or Cracker Crumbs, 1 cup (optional)
Walnuts, ¼ cup
Salt, 1 teaspoon
Lemon Juice, 1 tablespoon
Paprika, ¼ teaspoon
Whole Eggs, 2, slightly beaten

Evaporated Milk, 1½ cups
Looking over the ingredients, I found it necessary to use mild Cheddar cheese in place of sharp, and skim milk made from powdered skim.

I substituted whole wheat bread crumbs and wheat germ in equal amounts to make the cup of crumbs. Otherwise, I made the dish as directed, spooning the mixture into a large greased casserole.

The onion was cooked in the margarine for a few minutes in a small pan, then added to the next 8 ingredients.

Eggs were lightly beaten and milk added, then added to the first mixture.

Casserole was baked in a moderate oven at 175 deg. C. for 40 to 45 minutes until firm and slightly browned. This nutty carrot loaf is recommended for serving with a seafood sauce. It is good, too, with steamed kale and green peas topped with a little margarine.

Another interesting recipe in the book is a meat roll in reverse called Gold Filled Meat Loaf Roll. This makes the stuffing of mashed carrots with egg and bread crumbs, and the covering of ground meat with bread crumbs, eggs and seasonings.

Baked with a topping of small pieces of bacon and catsup (or small canned tomatoes—my idea), this sounds as though it would make a most delicious change from ordinary meat loaf which so many people despise as being too ordinary.

In the same oven, small potatoes baked in their skins and baked apples for dessert put the oven heat to economical use.

When using carrots in fair quantity in various ways, we find the value of their natural sugars. We realize their sweetness when eating carrots raw, and grated into salads, finding that we can use this to advantage with other foods needing a little sweetening.

Remember this natural sugar content when combining in cakes and other sweet baked food — cut down on commercial sugar amounts as given in most recipes, even in the Carrot Cookbook.

In this new book, you will find interesting ways to serve carrots as a vegetable without losing their identity, yet mixing with agreeable companions, as one might say. Lemon juice and onions, pineapple and walnuts, grapefruit and honey are cited.

All these are healthful foods by themselves, and each contributes something worthwhile to a total meal.

Taking this book in its entirety, I believe it will open a way for any homemaker, cooking for one person or for a large family or a social group, to make greater use of this economical, nutritious and colorful vegetable, the carrot.

Needing no freezing, because it is available in fresh form (or from cold storage) all year, it is easy to prepare and is waste free. Ideas for its full exploitation are to be found in this new book — The Carrot Cookbook.

Apple Cream Pie

Pastry for 10-inch 2-crust pie

7 to 8 cups tart apple slices

1 cup sugar

1 cup flour

1½ teaspoon nutmeg

1 teaspoon cinnamon

¾ cup raisins

Shake of salt

1 or 2 teaspoons grated lemon peel

Rounded tablespoon butter

¾ cup heavy cream

Mix apple slices with sugar, flour, spices, raisins and flavoring, if desired. Pile into pastry-lined, large pie pan. Dot top with butter. Prick top crust as usual, also cut about a 1-inch circle from center. Place top crust and seal. Bake in a hot, preheated oven 400 degrees, about 40 minutes. Remove from oven to pour heavy cream through hole in centre of top crust. Bake 5 minutes longer. Let stand 5 minutes before cutting. Refrigerate to serve cold.

TANGY CHICKEN WITH LEMON

Fresh lemon and chicken are fast becoming as popular as lemon and fish. Here are two delicious variations that will become sure favorites.

CRISP LEMON ROAST

CHICKEN (4-6 servings)

1 whole roasting chicken (about 5 pounds), salt
2 teaspoons fresh grated lemon peel
2 tablespoons fresh squeezed lemon juice
2 tablespoons salad oil
1 teaspoon garlic salt

Sprinkle cavity of chicken with salt. Place chicken, breast-side-up, on rack in shallow roasting pan. Roast at 325 deg. F. for 2½ to 3 hours (internal temperature of 180 deg. to 185 deg. F.) or until tender. Meanwhile, combine remaining ingredients; use to baste chicken occasionally the last 30 minutes.

LEMON LELANI BAKED CHICKEN

(4 servings)

1 broiler-fryer (about 2½ pounds), cut in serving pieces

Salt and pepper

2 to 3 tablespoons salad oil

1 medium onion, chopped

1 cup chopped celery

1 can (about 8 ounces) crushed pineapple, well drained

1 teaspoon fresh grated lemon peel

½ cup fresh squeezed lemon juice

½ cup ketchup

2 tablespoons brown sugar

1 tablespoon prepared mustard

2 teaspoons soy sauce

½ teaspoon salt

Season chicken with salt and pepper. In skillet, brown chicken in oil; transfer to 13x9x2-inch baking dish. In same skillet, saute onion and celery until tender, using additional oil if necessary. Add remaining ingredients; bring to boil. Pour over chicken. Bake, uncovered, at 350 deg. F. for 50 minutes or until tender.



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(You said, "When push comes to shove, you should defer to your mother-in-law, not because your husband wants you to, but because she is your elder.")

I am a mother-in-law, and I always sit in front with my son because my daughter-in-law insists upon it! She says that I see little enough of him since his marriage, and she wants to share him with me as much as possible.

I can't tell you how much I appreciate her thoughtfulness. I am grateful that we have such a warm and loving relationship. Much of it is due to her unselfish and understanding nature.

Respect? No! All it takes is two women who really love the same man. — SITTING IN FRONT IN L.A.

DEAR SITTING: Thanks. I needed that. My mail has been running 50 to one against my advice to let the mother-in-law in front beside her son. Read on for a few typical letters lambasting me!

DEAR ABBY: The controversy about whether a

man's mother or his wife should sit beside him while he's driving the car brings to mind this true story:

A notoriously possessive mother always insisted on sitting in front with her son, so his wife had to sit in the back.

On one of these rides, the car in which the three of them were riding was struck from the right by another car, and the mother-in-law was killed instantly. The husband and wife miraculously survived with only minor injuries.

Had the mother-in-law been in the back where she belonged, she'd have been alive, and her daughter-in-law would have been killed instead.

Care to comment? — WITHHOLD MY NAME.

DEAR WITHHOLD: When it comes time to enter the Kingdom of Heaven, I think people are where they "belong."

DEAR ABBY: Concerning the letter from the woman whose retired husband bought a myna bird and spent all his time teaching the bird to say dirty words and phrases:

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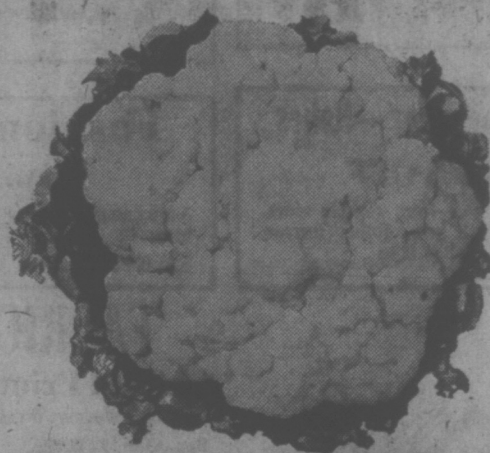
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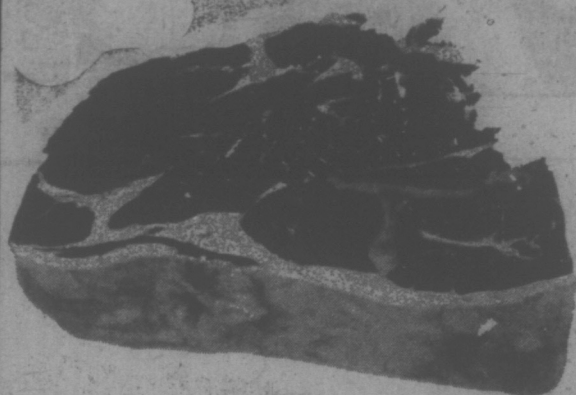
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"I ONLY CAME BACK 'CAUSE I COULDN'T FIND A BOY SCOUT TO TAKE ME ACROSS THE STREET."

The Bridge Expert

By FRED KARPIN

The "suit-preference" signal has had a greater impact on expert play than any other development of the 20th century. This signal is defensive play is a device whereby a player may indicate to his partner a desire to have the latter lead one suit rather than another when his partner has a choice.

The signal never applies to the suit being led to the current trick; nor does it apply to the trump suit. Thus it is designed to guide partner's choice between the other two suits. The essence of the suit-preference signal is this: when partner, having the lead, seems likely to switch suits, the play of a conspicuously high card calls for a lead in the higher-ranking of the two obvious suits; the play of a conspicuously low

card for a lead of the lower-ranking of the two obvious suits.

In today's deal we have an example of the suit-preference signal in action.

West's opening one-heart bid was not something one would want to write home about. And South's leap to six spades without bothering to employ the Blackwood Slam Convention to check for aces (at no cost) was certainly a worse call than West's opening bid. But the fact is that without the defensive suit-preference signal, South would have had a 50-50 chance of fulfilling his slam contract.

On West's opening lead of the heart king East employed the suit-preference signal by playing the jack. This play certainly could not be construed as a come-on signal in hearts. Since East, for his vulnerable leap to four hearts, rated to have at least five hearts, he unquestionably had gone out of his way to play the jack instead of any of the other four or five hearts he was known to possess.

West made the correct interpretation of East's play: he next led the higher-ranking of the two obvious suits, diamonds, as opposed to clubs, and East's ace took the setting trick. Had West been left to his own resources, he might well have led a club at trick two. Had he done so, South would subsequently have discarded his two diamonds on the board's queen and jack of clubs.

NORTH
♦ A J 5
♥ 5
♦ K Q 8 6 3
♣ Q J 4 2

WEST **EAST**
♦ 7
♥ A K Q 10 9 ♥ J 8 6 4 3 2
♦ J 10 7 4 ♦ A 9
♣ 10 9 6 ♣ 8 7 5 3

SOUTH
♦ K Q 10 9 8 6 3 2
♥ 7
♦ 5 2
♣ A K

The bidding:
West North East South
1♥ Dbl. 4♥ 6♣
Pass Pass Pass Pass

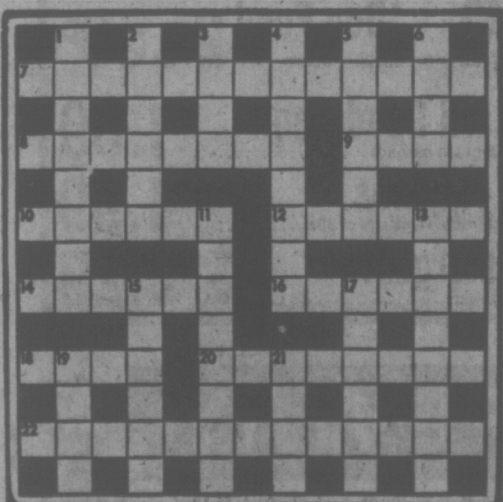
Opening lead: King of ♥.

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ANSWERS TO TUESDAY'S PUZZLE

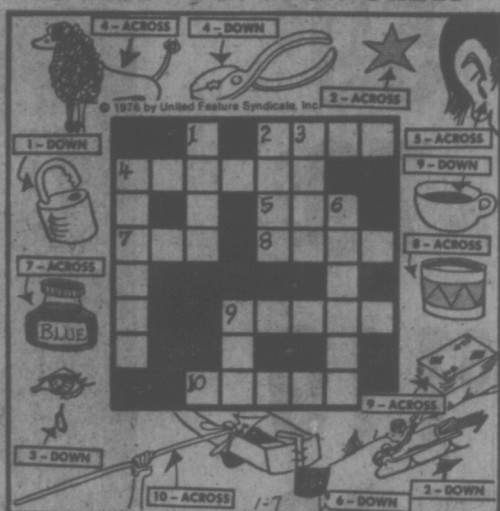
- ACROSS**
1. Notify
 4. Poison
 9. Permanent wave
 10. Extreme
 11. Impel
 12. Waits
 14. Lethe
 18. Raced
- DOWN**
19. Clamour
 21. Double meaning
 22. Saturn
 23. Flagon
 1. Needle
 8. Seven
 13. Fiddler
 15. Brides
 16. Scamp
 17. Dragon
 20. Avail

- CLUES**
- ACROSS**
- 7 Evidence of success in the team for the air race? (6,7)
 - 8 Stronghold built with speed? (8)
 - 9 Experienced the texture of the material (4)
 - 10 If gives cause for reflection (6)
 - 12 Evidence that is no longer private (6)
 - 14 Consented to an eager desire (6)
 - 15 Tries a skit (6)
 - 18 Serve, but bide one's time (4)
 - 20 Inattentive... hasn't got the inventory (8)
 - 22 In an advantageous position like a beautiful model? (7,6)
- DOWN**
- 1 Calming everybody voicing agreement? (8)
 - 2 Collection of young rubbish (6)
 - 3 A monstrous maker of gore (4)
 - 4 Is made up of expenses, including bad sin (8)
 - 5 Discuss taking one from pine-tree (6)
 - 6 Spoken part for all that (4)
 - 11 Fragrant ring loaned to Communist (8)
 - 13 Make a priest a sychophant (8)
 - 15 Broken tea-set represents total possessions (6)
 - 17 Farmer to steer the boat? (6)
 - 19 Help about 100 to be sour (4)
 - 21 Undermines pass (4)



SOLUTION THURSDAY

LITTLE PEOPLE'S PUZZLE



YOUR HOROSCOPE

Astrological Forecast for Thursday, Jan. 8, 1976

By SYDNEY OMARE

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Cycle is such that you are challenged—and you win. Partnership, legal arrangement could be up for grabs. Home environment commands attention. You could make purchase of luxury item. If you do, there will be questions to answer about intention, price.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Get behind scenes for valid information. What appears on surface could be deceptive. Know it and dig-go for truth, not a public relations handout. Pious, Virgo persons could figure prominently. Steer clear of wishful thinking.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Accent on romantic involvement, creative endeavors. Don't run from test or challenge. You can deal from position of strength. Those who attempt to belittle your efforts are jealous. Refusal to be intimidated.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Finish what you start—be aware of career, authority, sense of responsibility. An Aries person could try to tell you what to do. Be gracious, but heed your own counsel. Obtain hint from Gemini message.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Take more independent steps. Be sure you have room to test, experiment, to be flexible. Another Leo—and an Aquarian—could be in picture. Accent on journeys, correspondence, higher education, philosophical concepts.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Concern with the occult is indicated. A relative with money problem might distract you from basic objectives. Key now is to rise above the petty, to perceive potential, to listen teach and learn. Aquarian figures prominently.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Lie low where cash commitments are concerned. Close associate may have complicated what should be a simple procedure. Be willing to try, test, experiment—but don't forget what is sure for what is speculative. You'll understand—and benefit.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You gain most by subtle approach—be discreet and don't chide, push, threaten. Slow but steady pace brings best results. Aquarius, Taurus individuals figure prominently. You're able to detect primary methods and are capable now of getting most from efforts.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Friendship could intensify into a meaningful relationship. Change, travel, variety, romance, creative endeavors are spotlighted. Young person with ideas confides in you. Don't permit envy to warp judgement. Be open-minded, willing to lend helping hand. You'll be more than repaid!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Obtain hint from Sagittarius message. Emphasis on basic issues, abode, older family member. Important transaction can be completed. A friend with "connections" helps you get through maze of red tape.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Hold off on trips—telephone call could clarify what appears to be a puzzling situation. Know it and do something about it. One who has not been truthful confides in you. Refuse to get involved, but show willingness to understand dilemma.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Money situation could be complicated. Study Aquarius message. Get priorities in order. Handle added pressures, responsibilities in mature manner. Capricorn, Cancer persons come into picture. You can get help. If pride does not block way.

IF JAN. 8 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY You are on the road to happiness. If single, marriage could be upcoming. March and December will be your most significant months this year. Capricorn, Gemini and Cancer play important roles in your life. You are quiet, determined and passionate. You make major domestic adjustment before month is over—all to the good.

FUN WITH FIGURES

By J. A. H. HUNTER

Sam was alone in his little store when I dropped in to look around. "That's a real bargain at \$4.99," I commented, noting the sturdy construction and fine finish of an electric scroller standing on the counter. "Not much profit at that price."

"Enough for me, and I'll make a sale." The old chap chuckled. "But it's something for you. My mark up on that scroller is exactly the same percentage as what it cost me in dollars."

Neat! What had it cost him?

ANSWER TOMORROW

Yesterday's answer: Jill 54 years, Jack 37.

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CREAMED CORN REPLACES MEAT

By MARY MOORE

It is a great comfort to read and hear nutritionists telling us we do not need all of the meat we eat. Indeed there is increasing agreement among them that the average consumption of meat by Canadians could be cut in half. This reduction in meat consumption could bring two profitable results: decrease in your meat costs; increase in vegetable consumption.

In the past few weeks I have been stressing the serving of vegetables such as turnip, carrots, parsnips, squash and cauliflower.

Today it is corn. From one 15-ounce can of Cream Style Corn I have made up two recipes: Creole Corn and Corn Pancakes. Both good, popular and different.

CREOLE CORN

2 tsp. butter or margarine
23 cups chopped green pepper
1/4 cup chopped Spanish onion
1 cup chopped tomato — fresh or chunks from canned
1 cup cream style corn
1/2 tsp. salt

Measure into the top part of the double boiler the butter or margarine, green pepper and onion and gently saute for 5

minutes, stirring. Then add the tomato, corn and salt. Put top of double boiler over bottom of double boiler containing boiling water, cover and cook 10 minutes. It is now ready to serve. Delicious with fried chicken or broiled meat.

CORN PANCAKES

2 cups stirred but unsifted all-purpose flour
1 tsp. baking powder
1 tsp. salt
2 eggs
1 1/4 cups cream style corn
1 1/2 cups milk
1/4 cup oil or melted butter

Into beater bowl measure the flour, baking powder, salt, eggs, corn, milk and oil or melted butter. Lower beaters and beat on "low" until smoothly blended, scraping down sides of bowl to be sure all flour is mixed in.

Using a 1/4 cup measure pour batter on to lightly greased hot griddle and bake until bubbles form then turn over and bake other sides until golden. Keep cakes warm until all are done.

We served ours as with Swiss Steak. They may be served for breakfast with syrup OR they may be rolled. A creamed chicken filling is delicious in them. Rolled and filled, they make an economical lunch or supper dish.



Corn pancakes with fresh apple for breakfast

Danish Seafood Salad

4 7-oz. cans solid light tuna, drained and flaked
1 1/2 to 2 cups genuine mayonnaise (divided — see below)
8 hard-cooked eggs
1 small can anchovies
2 green peppers
Generous amount of parsley

add about 1 1/2 cups mayonnaise and mix well.

Cut the hard-cooked eggs in halves crosswise, slip out yolks and mix with about 1/2 cup mayonnaise and if desired 1 tablespoon drained green pickle relish. Refill whites.

Cut the green peppers into wafer thin full length strips.

Measure the tuna mixture by 1/2 cup measure and turn

out at centre of eight fine china tea plates. Top each with 1 whole anchovy. Cut a slice from bottom of each hard-cooked egg half so it will stand, filled side up. Top each with 1 teaspoon red caviar. Place one at top and one at bottom of each plate. Flank tuna with about 8 parallel green pepper strips on one side. Arrange parsley in an attractive bunch on other side.

drapes?..

THE GREAT COIT CLEAN-UP

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FOOD FOR THOUGHT

New Macaroni Fortified

By DR. JEAN MAYER

Q. I have been most interested to learn about the new textured soy products. Now I notice that our supermarket is carrying soy-fortified macaroni. What is it and what is its nutritional value?

A. Protein-fortified macaroni has actually been around for a few years. Basically, it's just like regular enriched macaroni, except that it contains nearly twice as much protein, and that protein is of a much higher quality than the wheat protein in regular macaroni. The improved protein, comparable in quality to the protein found in milk, is made up of wheat protein, soy and the essential amino acid, lysine.

The use of protein-fortified macaroni in school lunch programs was first authorized in 1971. Under the standards set up at that time, one ounce of dry macaroni could be used as a substitute for one ounce of meat as long as one ounce of protein food, such as fish, meat, poultry or cheese, was also served.

Now, protein-enriched macaroni is available to the consumer. And by any standard, it's a bargain. A recent price check showed that a two-ounce serving costs only two cents more than a serving of regular macaroni. Those two ounces provide the same amount of protein as two ounces of fish, meat or poultry.

One final point: the new macaroni is much darker. However, cooking bleaches it out, and when it's mixed in a casserole with cheese or some ground beef and tomato, the color difference is quite undetectable.

Q. In your column, you have said that vegetarians who eat no animal products should take vitamin B12 supplements. My wife is just such a vegetarian, but she insists that B12 is made by bacteria in the body, so she need not take supplements. I'm quite concerned about her health and would like your opinion.

A. In normal individuals, vitamin B12 forms a complex

with a substance in the stomach called the "intrinsic factor." This complex then travels to the small intestine where the vitamin is absorbed.

Some vitamin B12 is manufactured by micro-organisms in the large intestine. However, the mechanism for the absorption of this B12 is somewhat different — and less efficient. As a result, not enough is absorbed to meet daily needs.

Strict vegetarians sometimes also claim that plants contain B12. It is true that the root nodules of certain leguminous plants (like peas, beans and alfalfa) do contain micro-organisms which make B12. Again, I must point out, it is simply not wise to depend on these as a source of the vitamin.

The worst thing about vitamin B12 deficiency is that it can take a number of years for the symptoms to develop. Once they do, however, the damage — which can include nerve degeneration — is irreversible.

The only way for strict vegetarians to be sure of getting enough B12 is to take a vitamin supplement. Refusing to do so, quite simply, is courting nutritional disasters.

Q. I have been under the impression that the green color sometimes seen in potatoes just meant that they were underripe. I have just read, to my consternation, that the green color is an indication of the presence of substances which could be harmful. Can you explain this?

A. The green color is an indication of the presence of an alkaloid called solanine. Small amounts of solanine cause potatoes to have a bitter taste. Large amounts can cause adverse effects. Let me hasten to reassure you, however, that this is of little practical concern, for a variety of reasons.

In the first place, there are limits for the amount of solanine allowed in fresh potatoes. These limits are well below the danger level. And potatoes are inspected at retail warehouses before bagging.

Second, solanine taken by mouth is poorly absorbed and rapidly excreted. It is also converted in the gastrointestinal tract to a substance which is even less toxic and more poorly absorbed.

From a practical point of view, you will want to trim green areas both because they make potatoes taste bitter and because it makes sense to avoid anything that might be harmful.

Because greening can occur as the potatoes sit in the store, it is possible to get a bag in which the greening does seem excessive. In that case, you will, of course, want to return them.

(Dr. Mayer welcomes questions from readers. While he cannot reply to them all individually, he will answer those of general interest in his column. Write to Dr. Jean Mayer, in care of this paper.)

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2 tablespoons ketchup
2 beef bouillon cubes
2 cups coffee
1 large onion, diced fine
1 green pepper, diced
1 clove garlic, crushed
2 or 3 cups tomatoes or 1 can
1 can kidney beans
1 can white shoe peg corn
1 teaspoon chili powder
Salt and pepper to taste

In large heavy pot, place beef cubes, ketchup, bouillon cubes and coffee. Stew this slowly for 2 to 3 hours or until very tender. Turn up heat to evaporate liquid and add rest of ingredients in order given. Simmer until serving time.

If you are in a hurry, substitute ground chuck for beef cubes, lightly-browned, and eliminate the coffee. Simmer as long as possible and serve piping hot with crisp crackers.

NEW AIB WATCHDOG

Background Role Preferred

By MARGARET PITON
Times Ottawa Bureau

OTTAWA — The name Don Tansley is not likely to become a household word in Canada, and that's just fine with the government's newly appointed anti-inflation administrator.

The tall, slim, 50-year-old Regina native explained in an interview Tuesday that he doesn't view his new job of enforcing the anti-inflation policy as high profile.

"Once it's started this office will be in the background, though our orders will be public," he said.

Tansley had just moved into his new office on Slater Street the day before, and appeared slightly lonely in his large corner office.

The government has rented a whole floor of the Lord Elgin Plaza, for the administrator and his staff but except for Tansley's the offices are still vacant.

Tansley said the exact nature of the administrator's orders has yet to be determined.

The order is the legal name for the administrator's decisions, injunctions and applications of penalties against violators of the anti-inflation legislation.

He said one of the problems of writing the orders will be to go into enough detail so that case law can be established and people can be made aware of the precedents without violating the confidentiality of information submitted to the administrator or the Anti-Inflation Board.

But Tansley pointed out that the government does have the right to publish even confidential information if it considers it necessary.

A career bureaucrat, Tansley says "the fun of this job from a bureaucrat's point of view is that you can set your own pattern. You can look back and see that all the successes and mistakes were your own."

But he doesn't conceal the fact that he wasn't exactly eager to undertake the job.

"I was very happy at CIDA the Canadian International Development Agency and wasn't glad to leave," he said.

Tansley was executive vice-

president in charge of multi-lateral aid programs at CIDA until last week.

He emphasized that he had returned to CIDA after a two and a half year stint with the International Red Cross in Geneva, where he conducted an extensive reappraisal of the role of the organization.

"I have to say that because most people think nobody ever returns to CIDA," he noted with a smile.

Tansley hasn't always been a federal bureaucrat.

After wartime service with the Regina Rifles in Europe and work in economics and commerce at the University of Saskatchewan, he joined the Saskatchewan government finance department.

There he headed the budget

bureau which was responsible for overseeing provincial crown corporations, a growing task as Premier Tommy Douglas's socialist government intervened increasingly in the economy.

Tansley was also responsible for organizing Saskatchewan's medicare scheme, the first such plan in North America.

Following a change of government in Saskatchewan in 1964, he moved to New Brunswick as deputy minister of finance and industry.

There he helped organize a program of equal opportunity which involved the province more deeply in the provision of social services, and which he terms "highly controversial."

Although much of his past experience has involved government intervention into new areas, as does his new job, Tansley doesn't agree with a description of himself as a centralizer or interventionist.

Like most bureaucrats, he is reluctant to discuss his philosophy of government or economics.

On inflation, he'll only say "I'm concerned about it personally because it has great social consequences. It hits hardest those least able to take it."

Right now Tansley is familiarizing himself with the anti-inflation legislation and regulations, hiring staff and getting acquainted with the press.



TANSLEY

Gouzenko
Details

OTTAWA (CP) — J. W. Pickersgill decided Tuesday to make public a secret diary on the Gouzenko spy affair written by former prime minister William Lyon Mackenzie King, less than a week after it was withheld because of possible security problems.

The 50-page typed diary will be opened in the public archives, where King papers and diaries for 1954 were made public for the first time on New Year's Day.

Pickersgill also said he wondered why there had been so much emphasis in published reports of the diaries on the 1944-45 conscription crisis and King's fear of civil war. Most of this information had already been made public, he said.

He also said he was surprised at the emphasis on Mr. King's private interests.

TEACHERS VOTE
TO STAY OUT

TORONTO (CP) — The 8,600 striking Metropolitan Toronto high school teachers voted "overwhelmingly, fantastically" in favor of staying on strike without strike pay, a teachers' negotiator said Tuesday.

Chief negotiator John Volpe announced the results of a vote taken to determine tactics teachers would employ if the latest Metro school board offer is rejected in voting today.

Officials refused to reveal the vote count at a mass rally of about 3,500 teachers, but one leader said the tally was more than 90 per cent in favor of continuing the strike for an indefinite period and letting the teacher negotiators decide when to send the majority of teachers back to the classroom.

Volpe said the teachers' strike fund would run out by the end of the week.

The teachers voted to reject a second option whereby 75 per cent of the strikers would return to school on a work-to-rule basis and financially support the 25 per cent who would remain on strike.

Meanwhile, two of the mediators in the dispute said Tuesday the new board offer is the best the strikers can hope to achieve.

None of the teacher negotiators "have said what a victory this offer is, and nobody is saying to the teachers. This is the best we are going to get," said mediator Stanley Hart.

An NDP
Victim:
Kasser

TORONTO (CP) — A European financier accused of defrauding the Manitoba government of \$35 million said on a CBC public-affairs program Tuesday night that he is a victim of NDP philosophy and political manoeuvring.

Dr. Alexander Kasser, organizer of a forestry project financed mainly by the Manitoba Development Fund, said on the program Fifth Estate that the government confiscated assets valued at \$120 million after advancing loans of \$38 million.

The interview was filmed in Innsbruck, Austria, where Kasser is fighting extradition to Manitoba. He is charged with 23 counts of fraud, theft and conspiracy to defraud arising from the Church Forest Industries development in northern Manitoba.

Kasser said he would gladly return to stand trial in Canada but the NDP government "in Manitoba" has made a mockery of the criminal law and publicly tried his case.

He said Attorney-General Howard Payly has "condemned me for all kinds of crimes, so how can you go back to Manitoba after all these things and have a fair trial?"

Kasser said he is innocent of any wrongdoing.

"I didn't take one penny for myself," he said.

He said he had put \$500,000 of his own money into the development, and they took that away from me.

Kasser, Hungarian-born and naturalized as a citizen in the United States and Austria, has resisted Manitoba's attempts to extradite him.

In 1974, a provincial inquiry reported that Kasser and his associates, through a web of corporate interests, had taken \$25 million out of Manitoba in "excess fees" and had devised the Church Forest Industries development as a scheme for self-enrichment.

Led to believe that several private firms were investing in the project as well, the provincial government poured \$90 million into it before placing it in receivership in 1971 for defaulting on loan agreements.

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For his program he has chosen a Bach Prelude and Fugue (Book 1, No. 22), Beethoven's C major (Waldstein) Sonata, Chopin's B-flat minor Scherzo, Roumanian Folk Dances by Bartok, Toccata Op. 11 by Prokofiev, and Vallee d'Obermann by Liszt.

There is no admission charge for the recital but donations will be accepted for the conservatory's scholarship-bursary fund.

Private Camps Hurting

Claims that low government campsite fees are forcing closure of private resorts and campgrounds were denied Tuesday by B.C. parks branch director T. E. Lee.

Lee said he "frankly doesn't support" the private operators' complaint that because government campsites offer accommodation far lower than cost, "hundreds of operators sell off their property for private use."

The charge is contained in a brief from the B.C. Motels Association vice-president George Dover, who says 200 private operators went out of business last year.

There may be isolated instances of conflict, said Lee, but one of the difficulties governments face is that if the private operators are not willing to dedicate recreation land for the public, then the government has to play a stronger role to ensure recreation space.

"You can't butter both sides of the bread."

The general trend in B.C. is for private recreation operators to convert lands to more productive use.

In the brief sent to the new Social government Dec. 30, operators urge:

—That the provincial government provide assistance by boosting the rate charged at government campsites (\$2 a night) "to reflect the true cost of accommodation service."

—That government plan additions to government camp facilities in conjunction with local operators.

—That resort and campgrounds be assessed only for commercial space and recreational land made tax-free.

The brief adds that the effect of The Assessment Equalization Act has been "utter devastation," because operators are being assessed at 50 per cent of market value on all lands, including green belt acreage.

Lee, however, said the 488 private camping grounds in B.C. are free to apply to the Greenbelt Encouragement Fund for designation of land for recreation use and a portion of their taxes will be reimbursed.

Some of the private operators are hesitant to apply, he said, but the branch is receiving applications.

A review board, which has yet to be set up, will assess the applications and determine the portion of public service and tax rebate.

Lee said the new government will likely study the system shortly and the review board appointed.

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PROVIDENCE, R.I. (UPI) — Police in three states have arrested 10 persons in connection with the Aug. 14 daylight robbery of the Bonded Vault Co. which may have netted more than \$2 million.

Law enforcement sources said nine suspects were arrested in Rhode Island and Massachusetts. Police refused to comment on the case.

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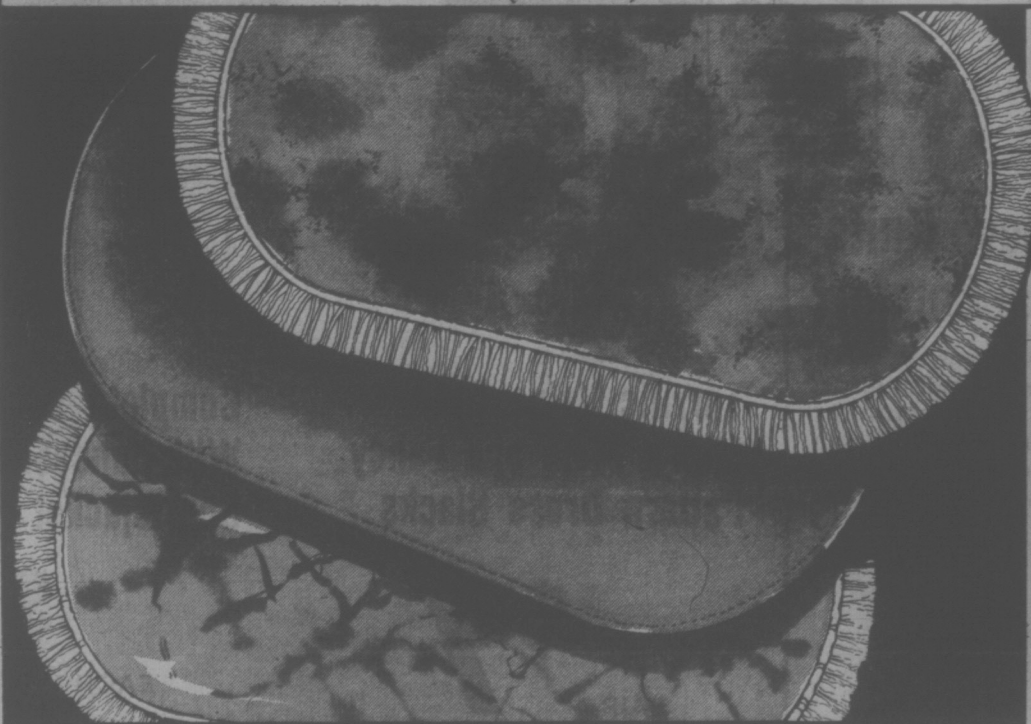
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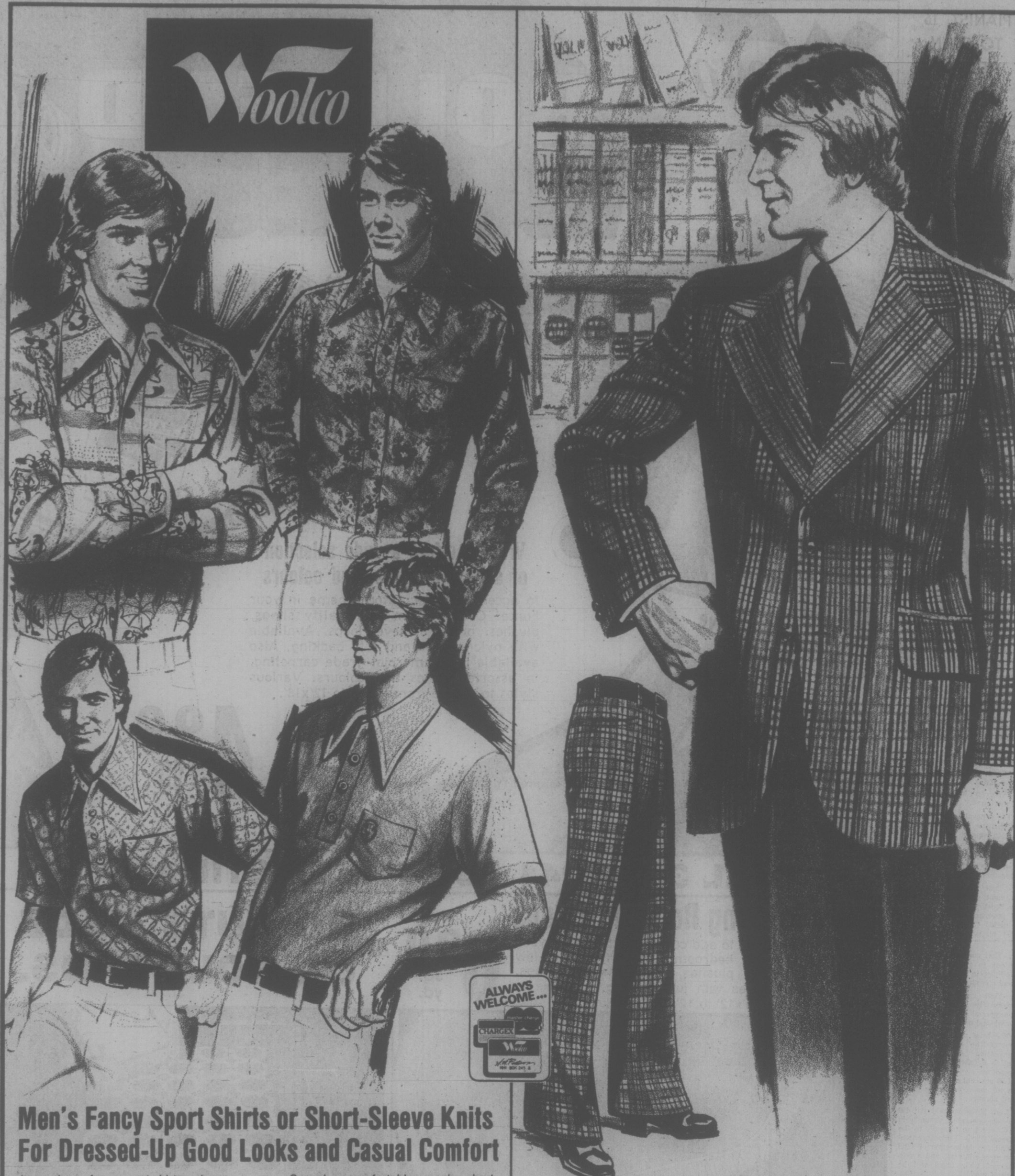
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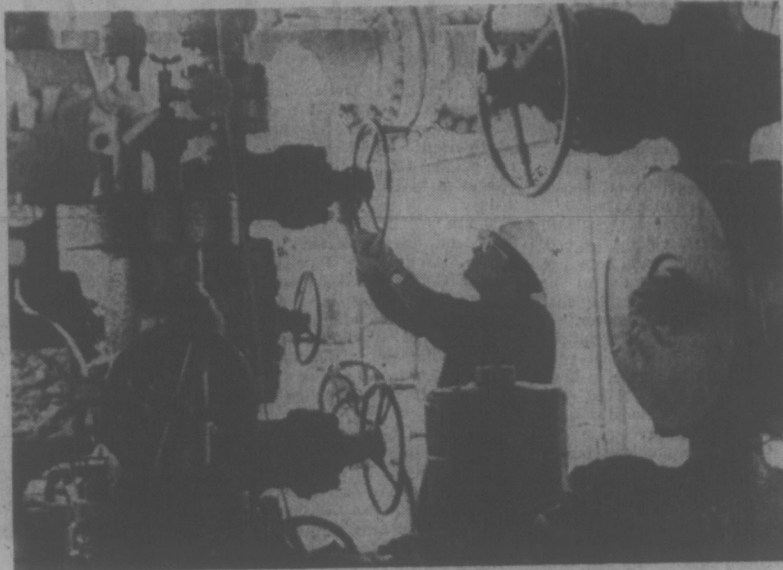
Rigs Form a Floating 'City' of 10,000

WEST DELTA 73, Gulf of Mexico (NYT) — Harold Sanders likes his neighborhood. He has lived here, 27 miles from shore, for seven years. The work, food, and fishing are much too good to consider moving. Besides, every other week he gets a seven-day vacation back on land at his second home, where his family lives.

It's not lonely out here. Eighty-five men work with Sanders on a huge Exxon oil and natural gas production platform. It sits on steel stilts over 170 feet of water. It's not boring. After 12-hour work days, sleep is the favorite form of recreation. Card games, dominoes and fishing also fill the free hours. The men don't feel isolated. Television reception is good. They have telephone connections with their families and others on land. Helicopters and boats are always stopping by.

The men here can look out over the sea in virtually any direction and see other platforms and rigs, some inhabited and some not, in their watery neighborhood, and beyond to others. They live, in fact, in a surprisingly large offshore city.

It is a city with a "downtown" off the shores of Louisiana and suburbs which spread over Florida to Mexico up to 150 miles from land. Its population on any given day is more than 10,000 people.



A worker on West Delta 73 drilling rig

Men like Robert Eagar, a 40-year-old Irishman and barge engineer, considers his home a 6,000-ton, \$30 million, floating drilling rig called the Western Pacesetter II. That's where he gets his mail.

Then there's James Woods, the chief cook on Marlin Number 2, a drilling barge working offshore near Texas. He's cooked offshore for 15 years, ever since he decided

to close his Mobile, Ala., restaurant instead of serving blacks. Hundreds of blacks now work offshore — three on Woods' barge. But he says he's adjusted now, and wouldn't consider cooking on land.

The "city's" population — which now also has dozens of women — works, lives, eats and sleeps for a week at a time on more than 400 rigs

and platforms which poke out of the sea like clumps of giant mushrooms. In all, nearly 3,000 structures dot the gulf.

Once a week, on crew-change days, most of the city's population leaves for shore and another 10,000 people commute out to replace them. The largest fleet of privately-owned helicopters in the world — more than 3500

operated by six companies — ferry most of them.

More than 1,000 boats and barges do the same, carrying people and equipment to and from shore bases, which have turned from sleepy bayou villages over the last 25 years into bustling industrial towns and cities.

It is, of course, a city with a single purpose: to find and produce oil and natural gas. It was born on Nov. 14, 1947, when the first offshore producing oil well was completed in 18 feet of water, 10½ miles from shore and 43 miles south of Morgan City, La. Offshore oil wells, however, had been drilled decades before. The first well, in fact, was drilled in 1897 from a wharf near Santa Barbara, Calif.

Over the past quarter century, about 10,000 miles of pipelines have been laid on the sea floor to connect production platforms with onshore refineries and transmission stations.

Those pipelines carry about 18 per cent of the nation's oil and natural gas production out from under the Gulf. Of the 8.7 million barrels of oil a day produced in the United States, about 1.5 million barrels comes from offshore. Domestic production of natural gas is about 21.3 billion cubic feet per day, of which about 2.3 billion cubic feet comes from the Gulf.

Production in the Gulf of

Mexico, however, has been declining for the past four years. And oil companies have had to go farther out into deeper waters looking for more. At the moment, 72 of the world's 305 offshore drilling rigs are in the Gulf — more than anywhere else in the world. The North Sea is the second most active spot for drilling, with 51 rigs.

In all, about 13,000 holes have been drilled in the Gulf at least three miles offshore — since 1954, according to the U.S. Geological Survey, which regulates the offshore oil industry.

GOV'T BRASS TO BARGAIN

VANCOUVER (CP) — Top level officials in the B.C. government have organized an association to deal with the government on their salary scales, job benefits and conditions.

"We're hoping for an excellent relationship with the government in this area," said John Noble, executive director of social services in the human resources department and interim chairman of the new association.

The new group, called the Association of Managers in Government in B.C., was formed last month and the initial approach has been made to the Public Service

Commission (PSC) for discussions of the association's aims, he said.

The association was registered in September following studies by a PSC advisory committee into a personnel policy for government employees excluded from collective bargaining rights allowed for other civil service workers.

The former NDP government permitted the civil service to join unions under an act that came into effect in January, 1974.

It left approximately 1,200 government employees without collective bargaining rights.

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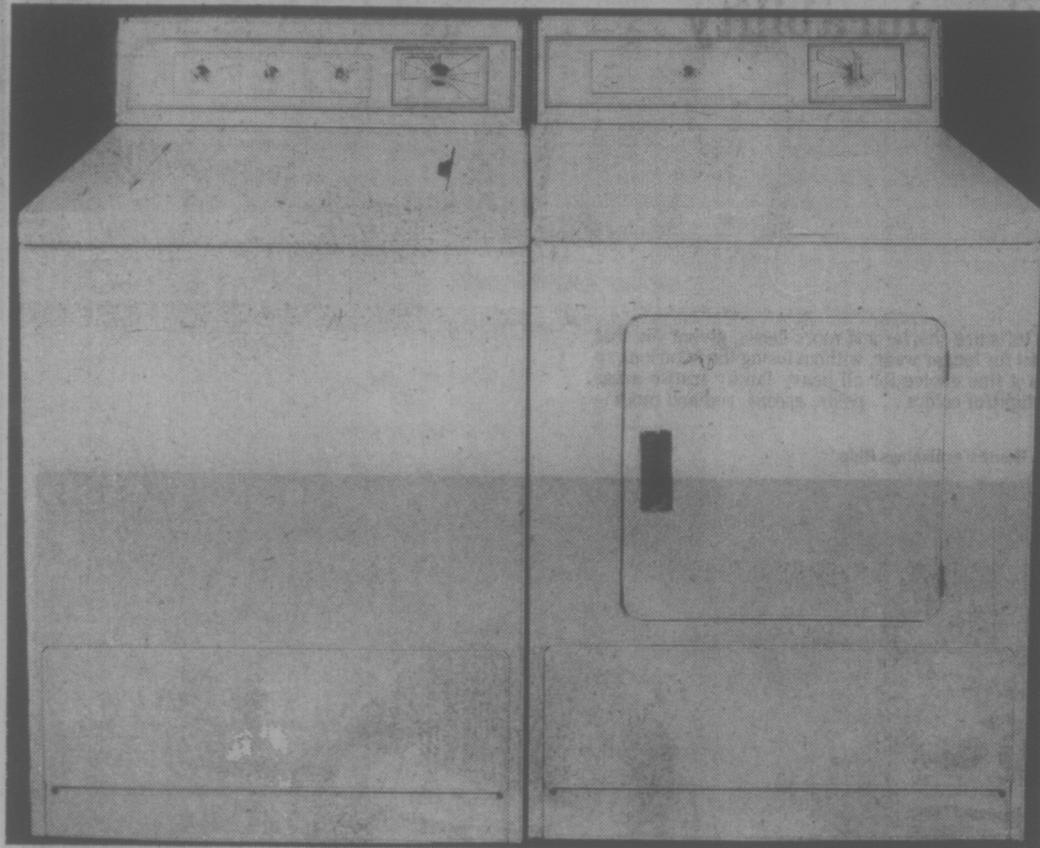
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Listen to Radio Station CFX 1020 on your dial
for lots of on-the-spot radio specials!

CFX will be on location at Eaton's Warehouse Store Friday and Saturday, Jan. 9th and 10th, with coffee, doughnuts and give-aways — plus on-the-spot radio specials to save you more money on furnishings for your home.



Imperial heavy duty
2-speed automatic washer
at big savings

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Family size loads come out sparkling clean in this 18 lb. load capacity washer. Wash and rinse temperature selection, infinite water level control. Cycles for just about every washing need; regular, permanent press, knits and delicates, as well as a power soak cycle for deep cleaning. Full-flow lint filter and fabric softener dispenser.
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Matching Imperial
electric dryer
at a low price, too!

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Harvest Gold, 10.00 extra



Deilcraft, a renowned name in furniture design
brings Oriental simplicity in this 3-pce. suite

599⁹⁹

...and Eaton's Warehouse Store brings it to you at an end-of-season clearance price you can't afford to miss. Check over the construction materials and features, note the simulated bamboo and cane detailing used for the distinctive Eastern accent... you'll recognize the kind of quality only Deilcraft can give you.
Matching night table, each 79.99

Modern open stock bedroom furniture
with bamboo trim — sale priced!

Arborite tops in white with light green fronts and sides. All chests and dressers with interlocking drawer sides and metal centre guides, white handles.

Triple dresser and mirror,	269 ⁹⁵	Chest bookcase,	99 ⁸⁸
Double dresser and mirror,	249 ⁹⁵	Vanity desk and chair,	139 ⁹⁵
5-Drawer chest,	119 ⁹⁵	2-Drawer night table,	39 ⁹⁵
3-Drawer chest,	79 ⁹⁵	Bookcase,	39 ⁹⁵
Headboard, 4/6 to 5/0 or 3/3.	39 ⁹⁵	Canopy bed without canopy,	129 ⁹⁵

You'll find a great selection of
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Special Clearance of floor sample sofas and chesterfield suites

If your old family sofa has seen better times, now is the time to see Eaton's Warehouse Store and all these fine quality chesterfields at low clearance prices! Sure ways to brighten your living room without breaking your budget. But shop early — these are floor samples, many one-of-a-kind that won't wait around!

Braemore love seat and chair

Reg. 409.95

Timeless traditional design with such detailing as rolled arms, full skirt, semi-detached back cushions. Covered in bicast and nylon fabric, soft blue floral. A space-wise choice for apartment dwellers.

349⁹⁵

Traditional 2-pce. chesterfield suite

Reg. 579.88

High wing-back design combines with a modern Aztec patterned cover to make this suite complement any style of living room. Has pillow back cushions, T-shape seat cushions.

Lawton arm,

Shepherd casters.

479⁸⁸

Pub style sofa and chair suite

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2 only. Green plaid cover, new pub styling in a sofa suite for casual lifestyles. Features semi-detached pillow back, Lawton arm, T-shape seat cushions, Shepherd casters.

459⁹⁵

Contemporary sofa and chair suite

Reg. 359.95

A great choice for the young family furnishing their first home — modern design suite has narrow arms, button back, attached seat cushions, Shepherd casters. Covered in rugged 100% herculon olefin in brown and black plaid.

289⁹⁵

Distinctive striped pattern sofa

Reg. 459.95

Modern as today — but made for years of comfort and beauty. Sofa is designed with reversible bullnose seat cushions that feature folded over edges (no cording to wear quickly); semi-detached back cushion; Shepherd casters. Herculan olefin cover in grey and white stripes.

389⁹⁵

By Andrew Malcolm, traditional sofa

Reg. 599.00

Loose back cushions filled with Dacron polyester — as comfortable as down! T-shaped seat cushions, self deck, arm caps, full skirt. Brown and beige floral patterned cover in a blend of rayon/cotton/acetate. Sofa only.

509⁰⁰

Contemporary style sofa

Reg. 419.88

New tuxedo styling features suede arm straps to secure the arm bolsters... loose back foam cushions, bullnose reversible seat cushions on self decking. Shepherd casters. Herculan olefin and polyester cover in brown/gold/white tweed.

357⁸⁸

2-pce. sofa suite by Braemore

Braemore designs a suite that can fit into contemporary and traditional living rooms with grace and comfort. Multi-colored floral patterned upholstery over loose back cushions, reversible foam seats; extending to a full skirt. Bolster arm cushions add a finishing touch.

549⁰⁰

High back Colonial sofa suite

Reg. 559.95

Two suites only at this clearance price! Both feature high wing back with semi-detached seat cushions, Lawton arms, box pleated skirt. 100% nylon cover in choice of floral print or gold tweed.

439⁹⁵

2-pce. Colonial style sofa and chair

Reg. 319.95

This suite features a high fluted back to complement your Colonial style living room. Cushion pillow arm for extra comfort. Multi-colored cotton rep cover for years of wear and beauty.

269⁹⁵

2-pce. Colonial style sofa and rocker

Reg. 449.95

Maple showwood accents the Colonial inspiration of this specially priced suite. Semi-detached back cushion, box edge skirt. Swivel rocker is covered in plaid polypropylene to match the sofa.

359⁹⁵

Colonial style 2-pce. sofa and chair

Reg. 479.95

The rich plain gold cover of 65% rayon and 35% cotton on this suite will be the focal point of your Colonial living room. Has high wing back, semi-detached back cushion, Lawton arms and box pleated skirt.

389⁹⁵

New appliances to make your kitchen work efficiently

Frost-free refrigerator

13 cu. ft. model with 102 lb. freezer section. Store your food on 18-position shelves that give you maximum storage space... 2 porcelain crispers for vegetables. Hand-some, too... with full woodgrain trim on white.

448⁸⁸

Harvest Gold, 458.88

Push-button defrost refrigerator

10 cu. ft. size is just right for smaller families, price is right for smaller budgets. Measures 24" wide, 59 1/2" high. Has full width freezer and full width crisper. Push-button defrost for easy cleaning. White only.

258⁸⁸

McClary 30" electric range

With all kinds of easy-clean features such as: plug out elements, removable oven door, removable side racks. Automatic oven control for easy cooking. Large utility drawer. White.

288⁸⁸

Goldtone

298⁸⁸

Odds and ends from the Mail Order Catalogue

Economy priced furniture pieces for many rooms in your home. Here's what you'll find:

Vanity desk, pine finish, 4 drawers, 42x17x30". 139.95

Triple dresser and mirror, 60x16" maple finish, 9 drawers 144.95

5-Drawer chest, maple finish, 33x48x16". 129.88

Child's chest, white and blue. 3 drawers, two-door cupboard. 24x49x16". 89.95

4-Drawer chest, walnut finish, has interlocking drawers with centre guide. 28x40x16". 69.95

Night tables, dark walnut finish, Spanish design. 2 drawers 20x18x23". 49.95

Triple dresser and mirror, French provincial design in white and gold. 60x16x30". 189.95

Night table, has one drawer, walnut finished. 16x14x21". 32.95

9-Drawer dresser, 60x16x30". White and mulberry — modern design. 154.95

matching mirror. 46.95

7-Drawer chest, 22x16x52". 119.95

Night table, has two drawers; 21x18x24". 56.95

Modern occasional chairs, with hardwood frame, canvas sling seat. 59.95

Modern director's chair, with metal frame, foam cushion, sling seat. 49.95

Desks and chests

All in dark oak finish. Military chest design features interlocking drawer sides and metal centre guides.

4-Drawer chest, 30x18x39". 84.95

5-Drawer chest, 36x18x47". 104.95

Vanity desk, has 4 drawers. 46x18x30". 104.95

Floor sample furniture

Take your pick of the savings on fine quality furniture pieces to add to your home... shop early!

Single dresser with mirror, 32x16x30". 52.95

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3-Piece bedroom suite in modern design. Arborite top, walnut finish. Centre guides and metal handles on drawers. 349.95

9-Drawer dresser without mirror. Walnut Arborite. 99.95

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Spanish style buffet, distressed walnut finish. 52x17x30". 159.95

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Sealy Premier Posturepedic unit, 3/3x6/8 size. 2 only. 259.95

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Australia: Military Malaise

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HONG KONG — The Australian armed forces are suffering from an extreme form of the military malaise affecting all western nations.

In a country with a long, proud military tradition, senior and middle ranking officers, particularly from the army, are resigning at an alarming rate, and morale in the services is waning.

The immediate cause of dissatisfaction is lack of money. Pay and retirement benefits were increased by the Whitlam government, but this cut down on funds available for new equipment and military exercises. Restrictions on fuel use have virtually immobilized some army units.

But the deeper cause of the trouble is the lack of a clearly defined role or purpose. Throughout its history, Australia has specialized in the production of expeditionary forces for the armies of Britain and the United States.

From the Boer War to Vietnam, Australia raised and sent off units to help "big brother" fight more or less distant wars. Sometimes these units were of considerable military value. In the smaller wars, most recently in Vietnam, they were of more importance diplomatically.

From the point of view of the Australian armed forces, the withdrawal from Vietnam was important not only because it cast mortifying doubt on the whole policy of fighting to "contain" Communism which had sustained Australian units in Korea, Malaya, Borneo and finally Indochina — but because it marked the end of the expeditionary era.

"The pull-out from Vietnam," says Robert O'Neill, a former army officer who now specializes in strategic studies at the Australian National University in Canberra, "was shattering. The army felt it had nothing to do, after 25 years of fighting in Southeast and Northeast Asia, which really had kept a small army going pretty well flat out. All the techniques learned had become irrelevant."

The Whitlam government, when it came to power in late 1972, drove the final nail into the coffin of "forward defence," the three basic principles of which could be defined

as follows: that the armed forces would fight outside Australia, that they would always fight in conjunction with a big-power ally and that they would fight Asian Communists or their friends. The Labor government abolished conscription, withdrew what was left of the Australian forces in Vietnam and in Singapore and announced that there was no foreseeable threat to Australia for the next 15 years.

Many of these changes had been foreshadowed before Gough Whitlam became prime minister, during the last years of Liberal government. It was Malcolm Fraser, for instance, who, as defence minister, presided over the initial withdrawals from Vietnam. The new Liberal government, with Fraser as prime minister, has neither the wish nor the ability to turn the clock back. Nor does it seem to have any fresh ideas on how to remedy the armed forces' difficulties in the new situation.

With "forward defence" and the expeditionary concept outdated, the Australian government and the forces cast around for a new defence policy. The one that emerged — swiftly labelled "continental defence" — was obvious enough and yet still not satisfactory. For the first time, except for a brief period during the Second World War, the main, indeed the only, job of the Australian armed forces would be to defend the Australian landmass and the sea and air approaches to it.

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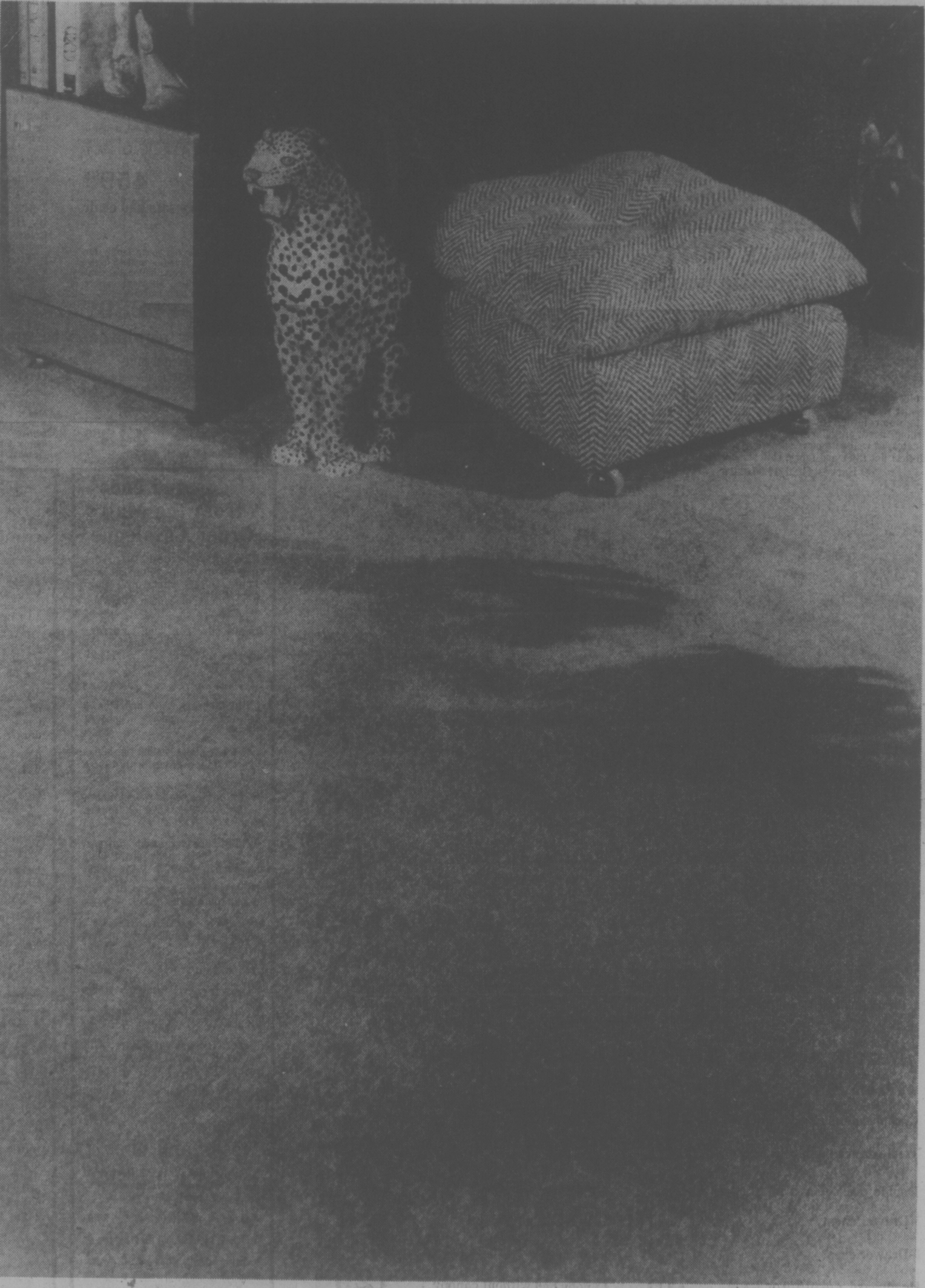


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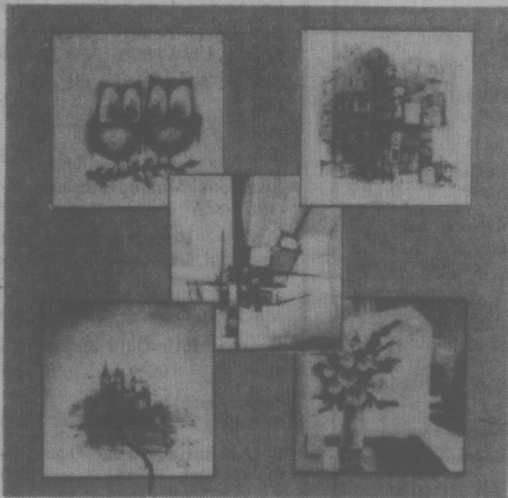
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McGeer Slides Quietly Home

THREE OPTIONS IN ICBC REPORT

VANCOUVER (CP)—Byron Straight, 58, a Vancouver consulting actuary, said Thursday he did not have time to check whether Autoplan premium rates are fair for different drivers and vehicles.

He said also he would like to have had more time to check an estimate by the Crown-owned Insurance Corporation of British Columbia of claims costs for next year.

Straight was commenting in an interview on his report into the proposed 1976 Autoplan rates.

He was given six days by the New Social Credit government to do the job and it was one of his alternative rate structures that was chosen originally by Education Minister Pat McGeer, who is the cabinet minister responsible for government auto insurance.

The alternative was the one which provided for the highest immediate cost to the motorist, involving amounts averaging two to 2½ times those paid for 1975 auto insurance in B.C.

Straight said at any point in his review he could have stopped and announced that without more information he could not complete the job.

"But the job had to be done so I made what decisions I could in the time available," he added.

Following is the complete text of his report:

Board of Directors
Insurance Corporation of
British Columbia
Gentlemen:

I am pleased to present this report on my examination of the adequacy of the automobile insurance premium rates of the corporation proposed for 1976-77, to make recommendations on the automobile insurance premium rates so that there will be no budgetary provision for a deficit for 1976-77 and to determine the automobile insurance premium revenue required over a reasonable period to retire the estimated accrued deficit of the Automobile Insurance Act Fund at Feb. 29, 1976.

Because of the state of emergency in the corporation's financial affairs and the necessarily short period of time allowed for this review and report, I have had to rely heavily on existing studies and reports of the corporation's management. Some of those reports were slightly out of date, mainly because of the lag in processing claims that were incurred during the strike. With the assistance of executives in the financial division and the claims division, I have attempted to improve the reliability of the estimates of the claims incurred to date and expected to be incurred by the end of this fiscal year (Feb. 29, 1976). On the basis of this latest information, it appears that the claims costs might be slightly below the amounts projected in the budgets prepared by the management for the Autoplan fund. But since the difference is not

great, and since the latest reviews indicate that the incurred claims in the fiscal year 1974-75 were undercalculated by approximately \$7½ million in the liabilities shown in the financial statement at Feb. 28, 1975, it would be prudent to use the management's original estimates of operations for the current year 1975-76 without change.

For the year 1976-77 I have accepted the projections of the task force headed by the director of Autoplan under the direction of the vice-president of underwriting covering all of the elements in the projection where applicable, including all of the sources of revenue, the claims costs and the expenses of administering claims and general administration expenses and commissions. The important factors used in the projection for 1976-77 were analyzed and criticized to determine whether they needed modification as a result of updating of the underlying information used to make the projections. I was unable to find any significant deficiency in the principles or factors used, and I have accordingly accepted the results.

Brief History

The schedule below summarizes the operations of the fiscal year 1974-75:

Income

All amounts in millions

Prem. on vehicles \$188

Prem. on drivers 18

Invest. income 9

Total Income \$215

Outgo

Claims \$202

Expenses, commissions and administration 47

Total Outgo \$249

Loss for year \$34

The premium rates used were closely similar to the premium rates in the Canadian Underwriters Association manual for the year 1972 for drivers with a five year clear record, but modified by deducting \$10 in one of the rate categories to allow for the separate payment of a driver's insurance premium of \$10. Because of increasing claim frequencies and increasing average amounts per

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Cabinet Salaries Cut Vowed

Premier Bill Bennett said Tuesday that the Social Credit government will live up to its campaign promise and reduce the salaries of cabinet ministers.

Bennett said in a BCTV interview that Finance Minister Evelyn White and the cabinet are working on a formula to reduce the salaries of not only cabinet ministers, but MLAs "and perhaps some others."

Cabinet ministers were paid \$48,000 and MLAs \$24,000 under the former NDP government.

Bennett would not disclose the amount of the cuts or what he meant by "some others."

"Let's just leave it at that," said the premier.

He said the new government "won't have large numbers of political appointments," and Social Credit would not match the number of executive assistants appointed by the NDP.

The government's first cutback came in the form of an order Tuesday limiting the research and secretarial staffs of opposition parties. Former NDP cabinet minister Graham Lee claimed the move was a breach of an agreement between Bennett and former premier Dave Barrett. (See Page 3).

Times News Services
Statements by Prime Minister Trudeau concerning possible long-term economic controls have aroused wrath both inside and outside of his governing Liberal caucus.

Former federal cabinet minister Herb Gray Tuesday demanded that Trudeau call a full caucus meeting and explain the remarks made in a year-end TV interview.

"There is considerable un-

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EDMONTON (CP)—Northern Alberta bore the brunt of an Arctic air mass that set record low temperatures throughout the prairies this morning.

Other northern Alberta centres also reached record lows overnight as Grande Prairie dropped to -44 degrees, Peace River reached -43 and the temperature at Fort Nelson dipped to -42.

VANCOUVER (CP)—Education Minister Pat McGeer returned today from a brief holiday in Hawaii, avoiding newsmen waiting to question him at the airport about the auto insurance rate row.

McGeer, who said in Honolulu Tuesday he was "deeply sorry" about callous remarks he made over the plight of motorists facing stiff insurance hikes, premium hikes under the Insurance Corp. of B.C., was spirited through customs by a side door.

His wife told the reporters at the McGeer home in Vancouver's Point Grey district that a statement would be made later today.

McGeer, the cabinet minister responsible for the ICBC, arrived at 6 a.m. It wasn't until all the passengers had disembarked that airport officials admitted he had been allowed out through a side door in the customs section of the terminal.

In McGeer's absence, after announcing rate hikes of up to \$200 or more, Attorney-General Gardom, also an ICBC director, said Tuesday he has been working for two or three days on a proposal to soften the blow for motorists.

Gardom, McGeer and ICBC's other director, general manager Norm Bortnick, are to consider the installment payment plan today and present it to the cabinet in Victoria Thursday.

In a statement from Hawaii, McGeer said an installment plan was in the offing, and said he was sorry about saying motorists who could not afford the stiff premiums should sell their cars.

The comment brought a storm of protest from government backbenchers, who reported widespread complaints from their constituents, and Premier Bill Bennett Monday said, the government and ICBC would try and do something to ease the blow.

Bennett insisted the stiff rate hikes are necessary to straighten out the "financial mess" he blamed on interference by the previous NDP government in the operation of ICBC.

The CBC Tuesday night retransmitted the segment of the

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Sky Shops Lease Reversal Bared



BORDER ROADBLOCKS between Ulster and Eire were set up by British troops today as the hunt continued for terrorists who machine-gunned 10 Protestant workers beside a bus Monday. Protestant militants in the embattled province have threatened retaliatory killings. (See story, Page 3)

OTTAWA (CP)—The transport department reversed itself in 1972 in granting Sky Shops Export Ltd. a five-year extension on the lease for its duty-free shop at Montreal International Airport at Dorval, Elmer MacKay (PC—Central Nova) said today.

At a news conference, Mr. MacKay produced a letter and telegram from two senior transport officials in 1970 telling Sky Shops that the airport lease would be put up for public tender in 1973.

That decision was reversed in 1972 when the lease was extended to 1980. A few months later shareholders sold out to P. Lawson Travel.

The shareholders included Liberal Senator Louis Giguere, a party fundraiser in Montreal, who bought 5,000 shares of Sky Shops stock for \$5,000 in June, 1972, and sold it in November, 1972, for \$100,000, making a \$95,000 profit.

Major shareholders had sold part of their holdings to Senator Giguere at \$1 a share four months before Lawson paid \$20 a share and six months after an offer to shareholders of stock at \$15 a share, Mr. MacKay said. He asked why they would take an "extraordinary loss" on the sale to Senator Giguere.

He produced a telegram from O. G. Stoner, then deputy minister of transport, to Sky Shops president Louis Lapointe in June, 1970, in which Mr. Lapointe was told the lease would not be extended beyond Nov. 30, 1975, and that tenders would be called at that time for all concession shops.

A month later T. M. McGrath, assistant director of the department's airports and field operations section, wrote Lionel Chevrier, acting as Sky Shops spokesman, saying the Sky Shops shop had been profitable and the department could see no reason for extending the lease beyond 1975 without public tenders.

Mr. MacKay said that Mr. Chevrier, member of the Montreal law firm of Geoffrion and Prud'homme, probably was hired because he would be influential in trying to further Sky Shops' interests. Mr. Chevrier had been transport

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Ottawa-B.C. Rift Shows Between PCs

VANCOUVER (CP)—A split between the provincial and federal wings of the Progressive Conservative party in B.C. came into the open on Tuesday.

Provincial leader Dr. Scott Wallace accused unnamed federal Conservatives of having hindered and obstructed the Tory effort in the Dec. 11 provincial election campaign.

Because of this, he said, the time may be ripe for setting up a separate provincial party administrative structure, with its own president and other officers.

As an apparent first move towards this separation, Wallace announced he has decided to establish a permanent provincial campaign committee, to ensure there is no curbing of party work in future provincial elections.

Wallace disclosed he held a meeting last Sunday at the Richmond Inn of defeated provincial Tory candidates and some of their workers and supporters. Out of this meeting came the decision to establish the provincial committee as a vehicle to retain the "enthusiasm and enthusiasm" of the candidates to "get going right away in their own ridings to build on the base they established this time round."

Wallace said he expects to name a committee of about a dozen for a "purely provincial function." He said he, as leader, has the prerogative to set up such a committee.

Wallace would not identify any of the federal Tories he claims damaged the party's provincial election effort, saying he does not want to start "name-calling."

Conservative president Tony Saunders said he would have no comment on the Wallace statements "until I have spoken to him... I just don't understand what he means (by obstruction)... I really don't know who he is talking about, quite frankly."

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TAX MAN TOP CHEAT

LOS ANGELES (UPI)—A former U.S. internal revenue service agent who lived it up in an exclusive home, had a garage full of expensive foreign cars and his own airplane, Tuesday admitted cheating the government out of \$565,000.

Federal authorities said it was the largest tax fraud ever carried out by a single taxpayer.

David Glen Robinson, 31, Pasadena, Calif., filed false income tax returns for four years using an assumed name, phony forms, a fake address and listed his employer as a Houston firm where he was unknown. He pleaded guilty to the charges in U.S. district court.

Assistant U.S. Attorney A. Howard Matz was reluctant to air details of the fraud but said the phony returns were

filed from 1971 through 1974 and the refunds totalled more than \$565,000. Sentencing was scheduled for Jan. 26.

Federal investigators said Robinson used the money to buy an \$84,500 home, an airplane and several automobiles, including three Jaguars, two Lamborghinis, a Ferrari and a Mercedes Benz.

An IRS employee at the Fresno, Calif., disbursing centre uncovered the case when he became curious about the size of the refunds.

Robinson worked for the IRS's Los Angeles district office in 1969 but left for Australia when agents uncovered an embezzlement scheme he was operating, Matz said.

He later was extradited to the United States.

Soviet Missile Carrier Steaming Toward Angola

Times News Services

WASHINGTON — A Soviet guided missile destroyer and a landing craft for tanks are steaming toward Angola, informed sources said Tuesday night.

The movement and capabilities were being viewed with grave concern by U.S. officials watching the fast-developing Angola situation.

The destroyer, sources said, is of the Kotlin class and was steaming toward Angola from a position off the coast of Gabon. Sailing with the destroyer is a Soviet oiler so the warship can be refueled as it continues toward Angola.

Also worrying U.S. observers is the presence of a Soviet ship off the Congo which is capable of landing tanks, armored vehicles and troops.

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This naval force appeared headed for Angola at the moment the U.S. is trying to damp down the crisis and is expressing hope that the Soviets — as hinted in a recent editorial in Pravda — had decided to withdraw from Angola.

There is a chance, intelligence officers agreed, that the big assault ships might have the mission of withdrawing Soviet weaponry from Angola, but the possibility appears slim.

Meanwhile, U.S. Senator John Tunney (Dem.-Calif.) charged Tuesday that American pilots are airlifting weapons from Zaire into Angola.

WEATHER

Tonight, Thursday:
Cloudy, Showers

using U.S.-built C-130 cargo planes.

Although it has been known for some months that the U.S. was supplying munitions to the forces in Angola, this was the first allegation that U.S. citizens are directly involved in Angola military operations.

In related developments:

—Soviet-backed forces fresh from victories in northern Angola have launched an offensive against rival pro-western troops in the south, according to Luanda radio reports. The Popular Movement armed by the Soviet Union and supported by some 7,500 Cuban troops, took the town of Gungo Tuesday "in an important action" the Marxist-controlled radio reported.

—U.S. intelligence sources predict two more Western Hemisphere countries will soon come out in support of the Soviet-backed faction in the Angola civil war. They said the governments of Jamaica in the Caribbean and Guyana in South America will recognize the MPLA.

Inflation Down

SANTIAGO (UPI)—Chile's inflation rate was down to 340 per cent in 1975 from 575 per cent in 1974, the national statistics institute has announced.

Prices rose 7.1 per cent in December, the lowest monthly figure for the year.

Italian Gov't Quits

ROME (UPI)—Premier Aldo Moro's minority coalition government resigned today when the Socialist party withdrew its support. The move could force early elections and bring the Communist party nearer to a national governing role. For story on CIA role in Italy see page 7.

Recount Continues

VANCOUVER (CP)—A returning office spokesman said Tuesday that a judicial recount in Coquitlam, where former premier Dave Barrett went down to personal defeat in the Dec. 11 provincial election, might take until Saturday to complete.

Gunboat Rammed

REYKJAVIK (UPI)—A British naval frigate assigned to protect Britain's fishing fleet inside Icelandic waters, rammed and extensively damaged an Icelandic gunboat today, the coast guard reported.

Store Bombed

PORTO, Portugal (AP)—A powerful bomb today destroyed a Communist social centre and co-operative store and did considerable damage to nearby buildings, including the national court offices. No casualties were reported.

Explain Curbs Plane, MPs Demand of Trudeau

ease over what Trudeau has exactly in mind," Gray said. He denied, however, claims made by Tory MP Tom Cossitt earlier in the day that dissent is spreading in the ranks of backbench Liberal MPs over Trudeau's leadership.

Cossitt said that at least one cabinet minister and several MPs were planning to jump party ranks and either cross the floor to the Conservative party or sit as Independents in the House.

The dissent, spreading since

former finance minister John Turner quit the federal cabinet has resulted in at least three clandestine meetings by the dissidents but no action has yet been decided on, Cossitt claimed.

Meanwhile, Walter Fitzgerald, labor minister in Nova Scotia's Liberal government, said a split is developing among Liberals across Canada on the issue of long-term controls.

Fitzgerald said he disagreed with the prime min-

ister's statement that the Canadian economy will likely require more controls than in the past.

In Toronto, a number of Liberal riding association presidents say they are also concerned.

John Carley, president of the Leeds association, called on Ontario Liberals last week to reject the current Liberal philosophy that has brought wage and price controls for three years and a warning by Trudeau that the free-en-

terprise system no longer seems capable of meeting the economic demands of Canada.

Larry Ross, president of the St. Andrew-St. Patrick Liberal Association, said there is a lot of dissatisfaction among Liberals on wage and price controls.

Stan Mamak, head of the Parkdale Liberal Association, said he hopes the prime minister was flying "a trial balloon" in suggestions that more rigid or permanent controls may have to be imposed.

Ontario Treasurer Darcy McKeough told a news conference that Trudeau's suggestion that more federal controls on business and labor may be needed "worry the hell out of me, quite frankly."

From Vancouver, Liberal Senate leader Ray Perrault said statements such as those made by Cossitt are false and irresponsible. He said Cossitt is a "political crackpot with a notorious reputation for a continuing personal vendetta against the prime minister."

PROBABLY ARMED—POLICE

Suspect Named in Killing

A 32-year-old man is being sought in connection with what has been termed a "gangland, execution-style" killing of a Victoria man last November.

Colwood RCMP Sgt. Ed Kokoska said a warrant has been issued charging David John Ross, formerly of Victoria, with the murder of Malcolm Preston Cunningham, 27.

Cunningham's body was found Dec. 2, 30 feet in the bushes off the CPR tracks near the junction of the Sooke Lake and Humpback Roads.

He had been shot six times with a high-powered rifle—a .30-calibre M-1 carbine and had been dead for about a month when spotted by trainmen. He had last been seen alive on Nov. 1.



ROSS
... dangerous

Kokoska said Ross is probably armed and should be considered dangerous. He is described as five feet 11 inches tall, 170 pounds, brown hair, blue eyes, and has numerous tattoos including one of a scorpion on the back of his right hand.

The warrant charging Ross was sworn out last week but Kokoska as late as Monday had asked the Times not to report it for fear it may impede the police investigation.

Kokoska said that he believed the suspect has left the area and is probably hiding out in either Edmonton or Calgary where he has friends or in California where he has relatives.

Victoria Times

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SECOND SECTION



Farmer Lusk with Gentle Ben in pasture near Nanaimo

—Max Low photo

On V.I. Home Where Beefalo Roam And Where Ben Is 'Something Else'

Never have I trusted bulls.

Not since I wore short pants and was chased one day across a neighboring farmer's field by a particularly angry, long-horned monster have I dared to climb through the wire separating me from them.

Not until this week, that is.

Somewhat gingerly I scaled the fence and advanced, with camera in hand, to try to get a close-up shot of Gentle Ben the bull. That name wasn't fooling me. I was certain that any moment Ben was going to become incensed with my bright red jacket and charge.

But Ben didn't bat an eyelid.

He just stood there and kept on chewing. That Ben, he's something else. As the kids say.

Ben's a beefalo. He's two years old and he's for sale.

A what-also?

He's a beefalo—a cross between a domestic beef animal and a buffalo. America are hoping this new animal will revolutionize our eating habits in the next few years.

The beefalo, developed by California rancher Bud Basolo who tried for years before successfully producing a fertile hybrid from his 2,600-head herd of buffalo and his domestic cattle, is cheaper to raise and has juicier, less-fatty meat than regular beef.

Prize beef cattle are rather choosy when it comes to eating. They will touch only the best hay and have to be finished on grain. But beefalos, although having a much higher protein meat than regular beef, will eat just about anything. They have even been known to paw the ground to search under snow for food.

I had a look at the lunch Ben and his fellow beefalos were enjoying on the farm where they live just south of

Nanaimo. And it looked pretty cruddy, if you ask me.

"We've purposely fed them the worst stuff we could find," explains Ben's owner Len Lusk. "I've given them hay that's been rained on and I've even bought all my neighbor's mouldy hay to feed them. They've eaten it all up and they've done well on it."

Ben certainly seems to have done well. I don't know much about cattle but you can tell Ben's not all fat. He's long and short and weighs almost a ton but he's solid. He's a half-blood beefalo.

Lusk, who has tasted the meat several times and thinks it's great, took up beefalo farming a couple of years ago when he decided to give up the mining business and leave Saskatchewan with his wife and four children.

Len's wife Florence breeds thoroughbred horses and at first the Lusks looked for a five to 10-acre place on Vancouver Island to do just that. What they found instead was a 40-acre farm and Len thought there was too much room for just horses and had read about the beefalo in a magazine and thought he'd give it a try.

He began with a shipment of 20 heifers and a half-blood bull. Using full-blood semen from a \$2.5-million bull Basolo sold to Calgary breeder, Lusk recently bred the first three-quarter-blood beefalo calves in Canada. Right now he has 19 half-blood females, two half-blood bulls and five three-quarter-blood calves.

But ill health—he has a bad back and his doctor has told him to take it easy—has forced Lusk to put his beefalo farm up for sale. The price is \$340,000 and for that you get the house, buildings and equipment, 40 acres and the beefalo stock. The Lusks will look again for that little place to raise horses.

"Whoever buys this place now is buying time," Len explains. "For someone starting with semen and domestic



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heifers it would take three or four years to get to where we've got.

"Between mine and ones in Calgary, there are only about 200 beefalos in Canada. So for four or five years you're going to be ahead of everyone and if you're breeding, after all, that's the name of the game."

When will you be able to pop into the supermarket and buy a beefalo steak, though? Well, says Lusk, they'll be selling half-blood meat in limited amounts in the United States this year. But he estimates it will be about six or seven years before you can buy full-blood beefalo meat.

Of course, it's the only beefalo farm on sale in Canada and Lusk is beginning to feel a bit of a celebrity. Since he listed his property with Block

Brothers a few days ago, he has been "absolutely flooded" with calls. Many breeders from Montreal to the west coast are interested.

And the media has been hopping after Len and his beefalo like a lot of kangaroos.

"When I arrived, he had just finished talking on a Victoria radio hot-line show, he appeared a couple of weeks ago in a TV feature on beefalo breeding, and our interview was interrupted while he spoke for a long time to news people in Toronto."

"Whew!" Len exclaimed, slipping on his boots. "Let's go out and look over the beefalo." Then he turned to his wife and grinned.

"You take the next call ... I've got a sore throat after that one."

\$5,530 Awarded for Hospital Burns

By ROGER STONEBANKS
Times Staff

A Victoria woman has been awarded \$5,530.97 in general and special damages as a result of burns suffered while she was a patient in Victoria General Hospital in 1973.

Karen Lenzen, who was 41 at the time, sued the Southern Vancouver Island Hospital Society, Dr. Weidmann Billung-Meyer, Dr. George Rasmussen and Louise Michaud (now Wilcox) for personal injury.

Mr. Justice E. E. Hinkson of B.C. Supreme Court, in a nine-page decision following trial last fall, held that Mrs. Wilcox, a nurse, was negligent and the hospital was also responsible as her employer.

He said the evidence did not disclose any fault on the part of Dr. Rasmussen and Dr.

Billung-Meyer and he dismissed the action against them.

Mrs. Lenzen was admitted to Victoria General Hospital May 30, 1973, following a slip at her home in which she sustained a back injury.

While in hospital she asked for a hot-water bottle for her back and a K-pad was provided. This is an apparatus which contains a pump attached to a reservoir which pumps hot water into a plastic pad which then emits heat. The K-pad was applied by Mrs. Wilcox.

Three hours later, Mrs. Wilcox turned Mrs. Lenzen on her side and observed her back was red. She thought at first it was the rubber against the patient's back which caused the redness.

The patient had been receiving injections for severe back pain at the time and Mrs. Wilcox's nursing notes following first application of the K-pad said that while Mrs. Lenzen's back was very red, the patient did not feel sore from the heat.

Mrs. Lenzen asked for the K-pad to be placed under her a little later and it remained there for two hours during which Mrs. Wilcox finished her shift and was replaced by a practical nurse, Miss Hawthorn.

Mr. Justice Hinkson concluded that after the first application, Mrs. Lenzen suffered a first-degree burn and Mrs. Wilcox did not appreciate that the redness was from a first-degree burn.

One and a half hours after

Housewife Petitions McGeer

Victoria housewife Kathy LeCorre hopes to present a 1,000-name petition protesting ICBC increases to Dr. Pat McGeer when he returns from Hawaii on Thursday. She said McGeer's office is trying to arrange a time for the petition to be presented.

LeCorre said she already has several hundred names on the petition and expected to have at least 1,000 names by Thursday morning.

"I've never done anything like this before," she said, "but we are a low income family and we simply cannot afford the new rates. I decided I shouldn't just sit here and take it and so I decided to try to do something about it."

She got 150 names herself on Saturday and friends are helping her collect more signatures.

LeCorre, 25, whose husband is not working, has three children.

"We need the car if we are going to get around like other families. If the rates go up like they say, we simply cannot afford to drive the car."

McGeer, the cabinet minister responsible for ICBC, is expected back from vacation to attend the cabinet meeting Thursday at which the ICBC rates will be set.

Rapist Swims From Jail

A rapist, the first William Head inmate to flee the medium security institution this year, is believed to have swum from the prison Tuesday night.

Colwood RCMP said Harry Ronald Fugard, serving more than eight years for rape, breaking and entering, escape and possession of stolen property committed in West Vancouver in 1973, went missing between the supper hour and the 10 p.m. head count.

A police spokesman said Fugard, who is 28 today, should be approached with caution as "he could be dangerous." An inquiry into Fugard's escape has not been completed but a William Head spokesman said the inmate probably swam across the bay taking with him a set of dry clothes in a plastic bag.

"Some of the men here have discovered they can last in the cold water the 10 minutes or so it takes them to get across the bay."

But, the spokesman added, that should come to an end later this week when new lighting across the narrow entrance to William Head is finished. Up to now lighting in Fugard, who would have been eligible for parole July 5, 1978, is described as five feet eight inches tall, 140 pounds, hazel eyes, bearded, fair complexion, with tattoos on his right lower leg, upper right arm and left wrist.

Firemen Could Earn \$212 for One Shift Under New Contract

By PAUL MOSS
Times Staff

Working on statutory holidays at the newly-union shift rates may not prove too onerous for Victoria firefighters, city council learned Tuesday.

Council's caucus meeting was informed that the regular rate per shift is now \$85 but if a firefighter is required to work on a statutory holiday at time-and-a-half he will get an extra \$42 for a total of \$127.

City manager Jim Bramley said that if a replacement firefighter has to work a holiday shift as "sickness relief," he is entitled to two and a half times his regular rate or \$212 per shift.

Not only that, but the city would also pay the sick person his normal \$85, making the total wages bill under such circumstances close to \$300.

Bramley said a shift averages 12 hours — 10 hours for days, 14 for nights — and personnel work four shifts on and four off.

The new pay provisions, he reminded council, were included in an arbitration award handed down last month by provincial arbitrator Dalton Larson. The award covered the 1975 contract between the city and its firefighters. Negotiations have already started for 1976.

Commented Mayor Mike Young: "I think it is a very alarming trend and one we just can't rescind or change quickly enough."

"It makes our capacity to pay reasonable wages much more difficult when we are making this type of enormous payment for a single shift. It really doesn't make any sense at all."

Bramley agreed the cost implications are such that it's questionable whether replacements should be brought in for firemen who are sick or on staff holidays.

He noted the award also gave the union a shared-cost

dental plan which will cost the city \$156 a year for every firefighter, and Larson ordered that one per cent compound interest per month be paid on the 18.5 per cent wage increase retroactive to January, 1975.

The first meeting has already been held under 1976 negotiations, the manager reported, and the firefighters' union has indicated that it is prepared to work within the federal anti-inflation guidelines.

These haven't been formally adopted yet by the provincial government but Bramley said negotiations would proceed on the assumption that would happen.

Young added sarcastically: "They're a good bunch of chaps."

In other business, council heard the hard-to-believe

news that the city's taxable land values will actually decline this year, by \$215,000 compared with 1975.

City comptroller Mason Sheldrick said the shortfall is caused by the provincial government's continued program of acquiring lands which fall under the 15-mill umbrella — paying only about one-third of the due property tax bill — and the reduced assessments on lands where condominiums are located.

But Sheldrick said his earlier guess that the product of a mill for this year's general purposes levy would be around \$237,000 was somewhat on the low side.

The actual value of one mill would be \$239,074, he said, making the provisional budget's projected 12-mill increase slightly less than was earlier indicated.

Guidance Plea On Guidelines

The chairman of the Capital Regional Board said today the provincial government should make clear without delay its intention to have federal anti-inflation guidelines apply in municipal affairs.

Jim Campbell said he will ask the board at its inaugural meeting later today for authorization to make such a case to the province.

The region is negotiating with its community health nurses and there are a variety of other contracts with municipal employees where bargaining has started or will soon, he said.

While there are strong indications the province wants such contracts to adhere to the federal guidelines, Campbell said he has not found a clear statement that the provincial government intends signing a contract with Ottawa to that effect.

Without it, the regional board can't bargain in good faith to the guidelines and the guidelines can only exert an influence on contract settlements, he said.

been negligent," ruled Mr. Justice Hinkson.

The defendant hospital is vicariously responsible for such negligence as Miss Michaud was acting within the scope of her employment in applying the K-pad."

He concluded Mrs. Lenzen suffered first, second and third degree burns to her back which was "extremely painful" and which caused "extreme discomfort" for six months until they healed.

After that, she was left with discoloration in two areas.

Richard D. Lew represented Mrs. Lenzen in court. J. D. Truscott of Vancouver appeared for Dr. Billung-Meyer and Dr. Rasmussen and Rodney Taylor represented the hospital society and Mrs. Wilcox.

VICTORIA
BASKETBALL

Teams in the Greater Victoria Amateur Basketball Association were in the following positions in their various divisions as play resumed in the New Year:

Girls' Divisions

PRE-MIDGET	W	L	T	Pts
First United Snakers	7	1	0	14
Glenford Gators 10P	6	1	0	12
First United Barons	5	2	1	11
Richmond Robbers	4	3	1	9
Lampson Ramsals	3	4	1	9
Lampson Ramsals	2	5	1	2
Glenford Crocodiles	0	8	0	0

MIDGET "A"	W	L	T	Pts
First United Stars	4	0	0	12
Esquimalt Scorpions	3	1	0	8
Metropolitan Angels	2	2	0	2
Richmond Rangers	1	3	0	2

MIDGET "B"	W	L	T	Pts
Lampson Rebels	4	0	0	8
St. Andrews	3	1	0	8
First United Barons	2	2	0	4
Chinese Village	1	3	0	4
First United Ramblers	0	4	0	0

BANTAM	W	L	T	Pts
First United Royals	4	0	0	10
Metropolitan Rebels	3	1	0	10
Strawberry Vale "A"	2	2	0	6
First United Flyers	1	3	0	6
Strawberry Vale	0	4	0	0

Boys' Divisions	W	L	T	Pts
PRE-MIDGET	4	0	0	9
Lampson Pacific Wings	3	1	0	9
Glenford Gators	2	2	0	9
Chinese Students	1	3	0	9
Metropolitan Sinners	0	4	0	0

MIDGET "A"	W	L	T	Pts
St. Andrews	4	0	0	8
Esquimalt Lions	3	1	0	8
Colquitz	2	2	0	4
Metropolitan Athletics	1	3	0	4
Reynolds	0	4	0	0

MIDGET "B"	W	L	T	Pts
Chinese Students	4	0	0	10
Tillamook Sandys	3	1	0	10
Metropolitan Saints	2	2	0	4
Lampson Rockets	1	3	0	4
S. J. Willis	0	4	0	0

BANTAM "A"	W	L	T	Pts
Oak Bay Red Barons	4	0	0	10
Landdowne	3	1	0	10
Belmont	2	2	0	4
Colquitz	1	3	0	4
Reynolds Roadrunners	0	4	0	0

BANTAM "B"	W	L	T	Pts
Chinese Students	4	0	0	8
Reynolds	3	1	0	8
Belmont	2	2	0	4
James Bay	1	3	0	4
St. Michaels — US	0	4	0	0

Cowboys Take Aim at WHA Lead

By The Canadian Press
It's about time Winnipeg Jets and Quebec Nordiques started looking back over their shoulders.
Calgary Cowboys are gaining on them.
The surprising Cowboys beat the Jets for the third time since Christmas on Tuesday night, blanking them 5-0 behind the goaltending of Wayne Wood.

The Jets and Nordiques have been fighting all season over the lead in the Canadian Division of the World Hockey Association, but the Cowboys appear ready to join the battle.

Those three post-Christmas wins left Calgary only four points behind the Nordiques and eight behind the Jets. Those wins kept the Jets from turning the race for the division and over-all title into a runaway.

With Wood in goal instead of regular Don McLeod, the Cowboys, who have played three fewer games than Winnipeg and Quebec, appear capable of overtaking the leaders.

Wood, who blocked 21 shots, is unbeaten in 10 starts. With McLeod in goal, the Cowboys have lost 15 of 29 starts.

In Tuesday's other WHA games, Toronto Toros stopped San Diego Mariners 6-4, Houston Aeros tripped Cincinnati Stingers 7-3 and Edmonton Oilers blanked Indianapolis Racers 3-0.

Wood came closest to losing his shutout in the opening minutes of the game when a blistering 40-foot shot by Winnipeg's Bobby Hull hit the post. Later, Wood stopped Norm Beaudoin and Lyle Moffat on breakaways.

Danny Lawson scored twice for the Cowboys and assisted on goals by Bob Leiter and Rick Sentes. Murray Keegan scored the other Calgary goal.

San Diego coach Ron Ingram was unhappy with the loss to the Toros, who were helped by two goals by rookie Jean-Luc Phaneuf, the first of Phaneuf's WHA career.

"A little sloppy? I'd say a little sloppy," said Ingram. Phaneuf, who is five-feet-eight, is part of one of the smallest lines in professional hockey with Lou Nistico (five-feet-seven) and Tom Simpson (five-feet-nine).

DEAL COMPLETED—HOUSTON (AP) — Houston Astros have acquired infielder Art Howe, 29, from Pittsburgh to complete a baseball trade in which the Pirates received veteran infielder Tommy Helms.

Manager Resigns LONDON (Reuters) — Jimmy Adamson resigned Tuesday as manager of Burnley after 29 years with the English League soccer club.

No reason was given for his resignation, although Burnley is struggling near the bottom of Division One with only four league wins this season.

THE West Indies resumed at three for 33 and after losing Lawrence Rowe for seven and Michael Holding for nine, both Thomson victims. They were five for 95 at lunch.

Thomson shattered any West Indies hopes of a revival in the first over after lunch when captain Clive Lloyd slashed at the third ball and was caught behind.

Keith Boyce followed four balls later when he snicked a slip and the West Indies were tottering at seven for 95.

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THREE OPTIONS IN ICBC REPORT

VANCOUVER (CP)—Byron Straight, 58, a Vancouver consulting actuary, said today he did not have time to check whether Autoplan premium rates are fair for different drivers and vehicles.

He said also he would like to have had more time to check an estimate by the Crown-owned Insurance Corporation of British Columbia of claims costs for next year.

Straight was commenting in an interview on his report into the proposed 1976 Autoplan rates.

He was given six days by the new Social Credit government to do the job and it was one of his alternative rate structures that was chosen originally by Education Minister Pat McGeer, who is the cabinet minister responsible for government auto insurance.

The alternative was the one which provided for the highest immediate cost to the motorist, involving amounts averaging two to 2½ times those paid for 1975 auto insurance in B.C.

Straight said at any point in his review he could have stopped and announced that without more information he could not complete the job.

"But the job had to be done so I made what decisions I could in the time available," he added.

Following is the complete text of his report:

Board of Directors
Insurance Corporation of
British Columbia
Gentlemen:

I am pleased to present this report on my examination of the adequacy of the automobile insurance premium rates of the corporation proposed for 1976-77, to make recommendations on the automobile insurance premium rates so that there will be no budgetary provision for a deficit for 1976-77 and to determine the automobile insurance premium revenue required over a reasonable period to retire the estimated accrued deficit of the Automobile Insurance Act Fund at Feb. 28, 1976.

Because of the state of emergency in the corporation's financial affairs and the necessarily short period of time allowed for this review and report, I have had to rely heavily on existing studies and reports of the corporation's management. Some of these reports were slightly out of date, mainly because of the lag in processing claims that were incurred during the strike. With the assistance of executives in the financial division and the claims division, I have attempted to improve the reliability of the estimates of the claims incurred to date and expected to be incurred by the end of this fiscal year (Feb. 29, 1976). On the basis of this latest information, it

appears that the claims costs might be slightly below the amounts projected in the budgets prepared by the management for the Autoplan fund. But since the difference is not great, and since the latest reviews indicate that the incurred claims in the fiscal year 1974-75 were undercalculated by approximately \$7½ million in the liabilities shown in the financial statement at Feb. 28, 1975, it would be prudent to use the management's original estimates of operations for the current year 1975-76 without change.

For the year 1976-77 I have accepted the projections of the task force headed by the director of Autoplan under the direction of the vice-president of underwriting covering all of the elements in the projection where applicable, including all of the sources of revenue, the claims costs and the expenses of administering claims and general administration expenses and commissions. The important factors used in the projection for 1976-77 were analysed and criticized to determine whether they needed modification as a result of updating of the underlying information used to make the projections. I was unable to find any significant deficiency in the principles or factors used, and I have accordingly accepted the results.

Brief History
The schedule below summarizes the operations of the fiscal year 1974-75:

All amounts in millions	
Prem. on vehicles	\$188
Prem. on drivers	18
Invest. income	9
Total Income	\$215
Outgo	
Claims	\$202
Expenses, commissions and administration	47
Total Outgo	\$249
Loss for year	\$34

The premium rates used were closely similar to the premium rates in the Canadian Underwriters Association manual for the year 1972 for drivers with a five year clear record, but modified by deducting \$10 in one of the rate categories to allow for the separate payment of a driver's insurance premium of \$10. Because of increasing claim frequencies and increasing average amounts per claim.

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Cabinet Salaries Cut Vowed

Premier Bill Bennett said Tuesday that the Social Credit government will live up to its campaign promise and reduce the salaries of cabinet ministers.

Bennett said in a BCTV interview that Finance Minister Evan Wolfe and the cabinet are working on a formula to reduce the salaries of not only cabinet ministers, but MLAs "and perhaps some others."

Cabinet ministers were paid \$48,000 and MLAs \$24,000 under the former NDP government.

Bennett would not disclose the amount of the cuts or what he meant by "some others."

"Let's just leave it at that," said the premier.

He said the new government "won't have large numbers of political appointments," and Social Credit won't match the number of executive assistants appointed by the NDP.

The government's first cut-back came in the form of an order Tuesday limiting the research and secretarial staffs of opposition parties. Former NDP cabinet minister Graham Lea claimed the move was a breach of an agreement between Bennett and former premier Dave Barrett. (See Page 3).

Times News Services
Statements by Prime Minister Trudeau concerning possible long-term economic controls have aroused wrath both inside and outside of his governing Liberal caucus.

Former federal cabinet minister Herb Gray Tuesday demanded that Trudeau call a full caucus meeting and explain the remarks made in a year-end TV interview.

"There is considerable un-

VANCOUVER (CP) — Education Minister Pat McGeer returned today from a brief holiday in Hawaii, avoiding newsmen waiting to question him at the airport about the auto insurance rate row.

McGeer, who said in Honolulu Tuesday he was "deeply sorry" about callous remarks he made over the plight of motorists facing stiff insurance hikes, premium hikes under the Insurance Corp. of B.C., was spirited through customs by a side door.

His wife told the reporters at the McGeer home in Vancouver's Point Grey district that a statement would be made later today.

McGeer, the cabinet minister responsible for the ICBC, arrived at 6 a.m. It wasn't until all the passengers had disembarked that airport officials admitted he had been allowed out through a side door in the customs section of the terminal.

In McGeer's absence, after announcing rate hikes of up to \$200 or more, Attorney-General Garde Garmoe, also an ICBC director, said Tuesday he has been working for two or three days on a proposal to soften the blow for motorists.

Garmoe, McGeer and ICBC's other director, general manager Norm Bortnick, are to consider the instalment payment plan today and present it to the cabinet in Victoria Thursday.

In a statement from Hawaii, McGeer said an instalment plan was in the offing, and said he was sorry about saying motorists who could not afford the stiff premiums should sell their cars.

The comment, brought a storm of protest from government backbenchers, who reported widespread complaints from their constituents, and Premier Bill Bennett Monday said the government and ICBC would try and do something to ease the blow.

Bennett insisted the stiff rate hikes are necessary to straighten out the "financial mess" he blamed on interference by the previous NDP government in the operation of ICBC.

The CBC Tuesday night reran the segment of the

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B-R-R-R-R...

EDMONTON (CP) — Northern Alberta bore the brunt of an Arctic air-mass that set record low temperatures throughout the prairies this morning.

Other northern Alberta centres also reached record lows overnight as Grande Prairie dropped to -44 degrees, Peace River reached -43 and the temperature at Fort Nelson dipped to -42.

Sky Shops Lease Reversal Bared



BORDER ROADBLOCKS between Ulster and Eire were set up by British troops today as the hunt continued for terrorists who machine-gunned 10 Protestant workers beside a bus Monday. Protestants in the embattled province have threatened retaliatory killings. (See story on page 3)

OTTAWA (CP) — The transport department reversed itself in 1972 in granting Sky Shops Export Ltd. a five-year extension on the lease for its duty-free shop at Montreal International Airport at Dorval. Elmer MacKay (PC—Central Nova) said today.

At a news conference, Mr. MacKay produced a letter and telegram from two senior transport officials in 1970 telling Sky Shops that the airport lease would be put up for public tender in 1975.

That decision was reversed in 1972 when the lease was extended to 1980. A few months later shareholders sold out to P. Lawson Travel.

The shareholders included Liberal Senator Louis Giguere, a party fund-raiser in Montreal, who bought 5,000 shares of Sky Shops stock for \$5,000 in June, 1972, and sold them in November, 1972, for \$100,000, making a \$95,000 profit.

Major shareholders had sold part of their holdings to Senator Giguere at \$1 a share four months before Lawson paid \$20 a share and six months after an offer to shareholders of stock at \$15 a share, Mr. MacKay said. He asked why they would take an "extraordinary loss" on the sale to Senator Giguere.

He produced a telegram from O. G. Stoner, then deputy minister of transport, to Sky Shops president Louis Lapointe in June, 1970, in which Mr. Lapointe was told the lease would not be extended beyond Nov. 30, 1975, and that tenders would be called at that time for all concession shops.

A month later T. M. McGrath, assistant director of the department's airports and field operations section, wrote Lionel Chevrier, acting as Sky Shops spokesman, saying the Sky Shops shop had been profitable and the department could see no reason for extending the lease beyond 1975 without public tenders.

Mr. MacKay said that Mr. Chevrier, member of the Montreal law firm of Geoffrion and Prud'homme, probably was hired because he would be influential in trying to further Sky Shops' interests. Mr. Chevrier had been transport

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Ottawa-B.C. Rift Shows

Between PCs

VANCOUVER (CP) — A split between the provincial and federal wings of the Progressive Conservative party in B.C. came into the open on Tuesday.

Provincial leader Dr. Scott Wallace accused unnamed federal Conservatives of having hindered and obstructed the Tory effort in the Dec. 11 provincial election campaign.

Because of this, he said, the time may be ripe for setting up a separate provincial party administrative structure, with its own president and other officers.

As an apparent first move towards this separation, Wallace announced he has decided to establish a permanent provincial campaign committee, to ensure there is no curbing of party work in future provincial elections.

Wallace disclosed he held a meeting last Sunday at the Richmond Inn of defeated provincial Tory candidates and some of their workers and supporters. Out of this meeting came the decision to establish the provincial committee as a vehicle to retain the "eagerness and enthusiasm" of the candidates to "get going right away in their own ridings to build on the base they established this time round."

Wallace said he expects to name a committee of about a dozen for a "purely provincial function." He said he, as leader, has the prerogative to set up such a committee.

Wallace would not identify any of the federal Tories he claims damaged the party's provincial election effort, saying he does not want to start "name-calling."

Conservative President Tony Saunders said he would have no comment on the Wallace statements "until I have spoken to him. I just don't understand what he means (by obstruction). I really don't know who he is talking about, quite frankly."

TAX MAN TOP CHEAT

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — A former U.S. Internal revenue service agent who lived it up in an exclusive home, had a garage full of expensive foreign cars and his own airplane, Tuesday admitted cheating the government out of \$565,000.

Federal authorities said it was the largest tax fraud ever carried out by a single taxpayer.

David Glen Robinson, 31, Pasadena, Calif., filed false income tax returns for four years using an assumed name, phony forms, a fake address and listed his employer as a Houston firm where he was unknown. He pleaded guilty to the charges in U.S. district court.

Assistant U.S. Attorney A. Howard Matz was reluctant to air details of the fraud but said the phony returns were

filed from 1971 through 1974 and the refunds totalled more than \$565,000. Sentencing was scheduled for Jan. 26.

Federal investigators said Robinson used the money to buy an \$84,500 home, an airplane and several automobiles, including three Jaguars, two Lamborghinis, a Ferrari and a Mercedes Benz.

An IRS employee at the Fresno, Calif., disbursing centre uncovered the case when he became curious about the size of the refunds.

Robinson worked for the IRS's Los Angeles district office in 1969 but left for Australia when agents uncovered an embezzlement scheme he was operating, Matz said.

He later was extradited to the United States.

Soviet Missile Carrier Steaming Toward Angola

Times News Services

WASHINGTON — A Soviet guided missile destroyer and a landing craft for tanks are steaming toward Angola, informed sources said Tuesday night.

The movement and capabilities were being viewed with grave concern by U.S. officials watching the fast-developing Angola situation.

The destroyer, sources said, is of the Kotlin class and was steaming toward Angola from a position off the coast of Gabon. Sailing with the destroyer is a Soviet oiler so the warship can be refueled as it continues toward Angola.

Also worrying U.S. observers is the presence of a Soviet ship off the Congo which is capable of landing tanks, armored vehicles and troops.

This ship, intelligence services report, has Soviet personnel aboard, but numbers have not been determined. It is not known if the vessel is carrying tanks, but the possibility has been raised that it does carry assault troops.

Although it has been known for some months that the U.S. was supplying munitions to the forces in Angola, this was the first allegation that U.S. citizens are directly involved in Angola military operations.

In related developments: —Soviet-backed forces fresh from victories in northern Angola have launched an offensive against rival pro-western troops in the south, according to Luanda radio reports. The Popular Movement, armed by the Soviet Union and supported by some 7,500 Cuban troops, took the town of Gurgu Tuesday "in an important action" the Marxist-controlled radio reported.

—U.S. intelligence sources predict two more Western Hemisphere countries will soon come out in support of the Soviet-backed faction in the Angola civil war. They said the governments of Jamaica in the Caribbean and Guyana in South America will recognize the MPLA.

ability has been raised that it does carry assault troops.

This naval force appeared headed for Angola at the moment the U.S. is trying to damp down the crisis and is expressing hope that the Soviets — as hinted in a recent editorial in Pravda — had decided to withdraw from Angola.

There is a chance, intelligence officers agreed, that the big assault ships might have the mission of withdrawing Soviet weaponry from Angola, but the possibility appears slim.

Meanwhile, U.S. Senator John Tunney (Dem.—Calif.) charged Tuesday that American pilots are airlifting weapons from Zaire into Angola.

WEATHER

Tonight, Thursday:
Cloudy, Showers

NEWS BRIEFS

Inflation Down

SANTIAGO (UPI) — Chile's inflation rate was down to 340 per cent in 1975 from 375 per cent in 1974, the national statistics institute has announced.

Prices rose 7.1 per cent in December, the lowest monthly figure for the year.

Italian Gov't Quits

ROME (UPI) — Premier Aldo Moro's minority coalition government resigned today when the Socialist party withdrew its support. The move could force early elections and bring the Communist party nearer to a national governing role. For story on CIA role in Italy see page 7.

Recount Continues

VANCOUVER (CP) — A returning officer spokesman said Tuesday that a judicial recount in Coquitlam, where former premier Dave Barrett went down to personal defeat in the Dec. 11 provincial election, might take until Saturday to complete.

Gunboat Rammed

REYKJAVIK (UPI) — A British naval frigate assigned to protect Britain's fishing fleet inside Icelandic waters rammed and extensively damaged an Icelandic gunboat today, the coast guard reported.

Store Bombed

PORTO, Portugal (AP) — A powerful bomb today destroyed a Communist social centre and co-operative store and did considerable damage to nearby buildings, including the national court offices. No casualties were reported.

Explain Curbs Plan, MPs Demand of Trudeau

ease over what Trudeau has exactly in mind," Gray said. He denied, however, claims made by Tory MP Tom Cossitt earlier in the day that dissent is spreading in the ranks of backbench Liberal MPs over Trudeau's leadership.

Cossitt said that at least one cabinet minister and several MPs were planning to jump party ranks and either cross the floor to the Conservative party or sit as Independents in the House.

former finance minister John Turner quit the federal cabinet has resulted in at least three clandestine meetings by the dissenters but no action has yet been decided on, Cossitt claimed.

Meanwhile, Walter Fitzgerald, labor minister in Nova Scotia's Liberal government, said a split is developing among Liberals across Canada on the issue of long-term controls.

Fitzgerald said he disagreed with the prime minister's statement that the Canadian economy will likely require more controls than in the past.

In Toronto, a number of Liberal riding association presidents say they are also concerned.

John Carley, president of the Leeds association, called on Ontario Liberals last week to reject the current Liberal philosophy that has brought wage and price controls for three years and a warning by Trudeau that the free-

enterprise system no longer seems capable of meeting the economic demands of Canada.

Larry Ross, president of the St. Andrew-St. Patrick Liberal Association, said there is a lot of dissatisfaction among Liberals on wage and price controls.

Stan Maimak, head of the Parkdale Liberal Association, said he hopes the prime minister was flying "a trial balloon" in suggestions that more rigid or permanent controls may have to be imposed.

Ontario Treasurer Darcy McKeough told a news conference that Trudeau's suggestion that more federal controls on business and labor may be needed "worry the hell out of me, quite frankly."

From Vancouver, Liberal Senate leader Ray Perrault said statements such as those made by Cossitt are false and irresponsible. He said Cossitt is a "political crackpot with a notorious reputation for a continuing personal vendetta against the prime minister."

Three Options Offered Over ICBC to Gov't

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claim, it was expected that the adopted premium rates would fall short of the total revenue required to cover the costs in the first year. The inadequate premium rates were used apparently to obtain public acceptance of Autoplan with any resulting deficit to be recovered from the revenue or from the experience of Autoplan in subsequent years.

The total expenses in the first year including commissions were nevertheless below the amounts that would have been incurred by private companies insuring the same risks for the same amounts under the conventional types of insurance operations in force in British Columbia in 1973. The total expenses of ICBC for operating Autoplan the first year were about 22.8 per cent of the premiums actually collected, and would have been a lesser percentage of the adequate premiums that should have been collected. This compares with about 30 per cent of premium experienced by British Columbia automobile insurers in 1972 (after eliminating premium taxes of 2 per cent of premium).

However, ICBC incurred large starting up costs, of which only \$4 million was included in the first year, the balance of about \$20 million to be amortized by Feb. 28, 1979. The schedule below summarizes the "budgeted" operations for the current year 1975-76:

Income	
Prem. on vehicles	\$161
Prem. on drivers	14
Investment income	3
Motor fuel tax revenue	83
Licence fees	42
Total income	\$303
Outgo	
Claims	\$256
Expenses, commissions and administration	69
Total outgo	\$325
Loss for the year	\$22

As at Dec. 24, 1975, the corporation had received none of the motive fuel tax revenue or the motor vehicle licence fee revenue as contemplated in the budget. It has been advised by Mr. Bortnick that the previous government did not actually commit the full payment of the motive fuel tax and motor vehicle licence fees shown in the budget of Autoplan for 1975-76 that was approved by the board of directors on the understanding that such payments would be made, together with a request that additional revenue would be forthcoming to eliminate the expected loss of \$22 million.

That is to say, the board of directors apparently approved the premium rates for the year 1975-76 on the understanding that approximately \$125 million would be paid by the government to the corporation in the year 1975-76, comprising \$83 million from 10 cents per gallon on the motive fuel tax and \$42 million from motor vehicle licence fees; but in addition, the board of directors hoped and expected to receive an additional \$22 million to eliminate the loss even after receiving the above stated \$125 million.

The motive fuel tax and the motor vehicle licence fees are paid by motorists, but there was no indication where the additional \$22 million would come. It may have been rationalized that the \$22 million loss could be recovered in future operations of ICBC. However, the accumulated deficit from the first and second

years would be \$56 million, even after receiving the expected \$125 million from the fuel tax and the licence fees.

If the fuel tax and licence fees are not paid to the corporation for the year 1975-76, as contemplated in the corporation's budget, then the accumulated deficit at Feb. 28, 1976, will be approximately \$181 million.

The most recent assessment of the claims experience for the current year indicates that the actual claims may be below the anticipated amounts of \$256 million, but the saving is not likely to be more than \$10 million and there may be no saving at all. Optimism then, with respect to the current year's claims, does not affect the conclusion that the corporation clearly needs the budgeted motive fuel tax revenue and motor vehicle licence fees.

Whether the corporation receives the budgeted revenue from the motive fuel tax and motor vehicle licence fees, there will be a deficit that must be liquidated over future years if the corporation's operations are not to be subsidized by revenue that is not generated by motorists.

PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS OF AUTOPLAN FOR 1976-77

The corporation's task force which was appointed to make recommendations on modifications for Autoplan for 1976-77 developed extensive studies of various possibilities to improve the financial operations of Autoplan. Ultimately, the board of directors approved of some basic modifications in the coverage and underwriting principles, as well as a new set of premium rates. The collision deductible which will automatically apply to Type 1 passenger vehicles (these are 1967 or newer) would increase from \$250 to \$300. The optional \$100 deductible will increase to \$200 and the optional \$50 to \$100. The basic comprehensive deductible will increase from \$50 to \$100 and the optional coverage deductible from \$25 to \$50.

The driver's insurance premium was discontinued in 1975-76. However, drivers with six or more penalty points in their driving record will continue to pay penalty premiums.

Weekly indemnity payments for no fault accident benefits are to be increased from \$50 to \$75 per week.

An accident surcharge program will be announced early in the coming year to encourage safer driving and premiums will be adjusted upward in the year 1977-78 and thereafter to penalize drivers with a record of frequent blameworthy claims.

Other less important changes have been proposed and adopted.

Ignoring the proposed premium rates, the changes in the benefit program and underwriting estimates will reduce the corporation's costs by approximately \$12 million according to the best estimates available.

Before any new premium rates are printed and distributed the management and board of directors may wish to review briefly the proposed changes. (The proposal that taxis will not be insurable for their own damage below a minimum deductible of \$1,000 seems rather high-handed in the absence of a competitive insurance market.)

The management present a set of premium rates to the board of directors which would be sufficient, together with the expected motive fuel tax and licence fees to operate the corporation without gain or loss in 1976-77. I was advised by Mr. Bortnick that the board of directors rejected the premium rates and asked that they be reduced.

The management then produced a revised set of premium rates which together with the anticipated motive fuel tax and licence fees would generate revenue that would fall short of the year's expenditures by \$23 million. The following schedule shows the expected results:

NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS CONTINGENTLY

Income: All amounts in millions	
Prem. on vehicles	\$217
Prem. on drivers	4
Investment income	3
Motive fuel tax revenue	88
Licence fees	45
Total Income	\$357
Outgo	
Claims	\$295
Expenses, commissions and administration	\$85
Total Outgo	\$380
Loss for the year	\$23

If the motive fuel tax revenue and licence fees for the

year 1975-76 are paid as budgeted and if the 1976-77 motive fuel tax and licence fees are paid as budgeted, the accumulated deficit for the first three years of operations will be about \$79 million. But without the motive fuel tax and licence fees for both years, the accumulated deficit at Feb. 28, 1977, will be about \$337 million, using the premium rates now ready for distribution.

The management wisely withheld the distribution of the proposed (deficient) premium rates after the election results were announced.

SOME ALTERNATIVES FOR 1976-1977

(A) Autoplan to "break even," with the benefit of the budgeted revenue of \$133 million from the motive fuel tax and motor vehicle licence fees:

Income: All amounts in millions	
Prem. on vehicles	\$239
Prem. on drivers	4
Investment income	4
Motive fuel tax revenue	83
Licence fees	45
Total Income	\$380
Outgo	
Claims	\$295
Expenses, commissions and administration	85
Total Outgo	\$380

(B) Autoplan to "break even," without the benefit of the budgeted revenue of \$133 million from the motive fuel tax and motor vehicle licence fees:

Income: All amounts in millions	
Prem. on vehicles	\$239
Prem. on drivers	4
Investment income	7
Motive fuel tax revenue	0
Licence fees	0
Total Income	\$250
Outgo as in (A) above	
Total Outgo	\$380

(C) Autoplan revenue to be sufficient to cover the year's costs plus a margin of one-tenth of the accumulated deficit of \$181,000,000.

Income: All amounts in millions	
Prem. on vehicles	\$237
Prem. on drivers	4
Investment income	8
Motive fuel tax revenue	83
Licence fees	45
Total Income	\$377
Outgo as in (A) above	
Total Outgo	\$380
Margin towards deficit	19

BREAKDOWN OF VEHICLE NET PREMIUMS (MILLIONS)

Alternative A	
Basic	\$175
Extension	\$64
Total	\$239
Alternative B	
Basic	\$305
Extension	\$64
Total	\$369
Alternative C	
Basic	\$323
Extension	\$64
Total	\$387

AVERAGE PROPOSED NET PREMIUM RATES EXPRESSED AS AVERAGE PERCENTAGE ABOVE 1975 NET RATES

Alternative (A)	
Average Net Basic rate is 20 per cent more than for 1975.	
Average Net Extension rate is 68 per cent more than for 1975.	
Average Total Net rate is 30 per cent more than for 1975.	
Alternative (B)	
Average Net Basic rate is 109 per cent more than for 1975.	
Average Net Extension rate is 68 per cent more than for 1975.	
Average Total Net rate is 100 per cent more than for 1975.	
Alternative (C)	
Average Net Basic rate is 121 per cent more than for 1975.	
Average Net Extension rate is 68 per cent more than for 1975.	
Average Total Net rate is 110 per cent more than for 1975.	

To calculate proposed Annual Premium Rates multiply the latest Annual Premium Rates for 1976-77 (or their non-rounded equivalents) by these factors:

Alternative (A) Basic	1.065
Extension	1.164
Alternative (B) Basic	1.325
Extension	1.164
Alternative (C) Basic	1.615
Extension	1.164

For other amounts of revenue from the motive fuel tax licence fees other premium factors can be produced easily (in a few minutes).

ARGUMENTS FOR AND AGAINST THE USE OF MOTIVE FUEL TAXES AND LICENCE FEES AS PREMIUM REVENUE FOR AUTOPLAN

(a) Such taxes are paid only

by motorists (owner, renter or driver).

(b) They are easy to collect and require no agents' commissions.

(c) They are convenient to pay; one pays as he drives instead of in a lump sum once a year.

(d) The greater the mileage and accident exposure the more the motorist pays in premiums.

(e) The heavier the vehicle and the greater the horsepower, the greater the gas consumption and therefore the contribution to premium revenue.

(f) It is an appropriate device for pooling revenue to pay for "no fault" death and disability benefits and even for third party bodily injury and property damage claims provided that there is an additional personal premium which can be modified to reflect personal responsibility or the absence of it.

AGAINST

(a) If the taxes are used to provide all of the premium there is no medium available to vary the charge to the individual, to reflect his personal driving record or to allow for the use of a particular vehicle in a particular way.

(b) Insurance to cover damage to one's own vehicle that is one's own responsibility (so called "collision insurance") should be purchased privately by each owner on his own policy.

(c) The fuel tax does not directly reflect variations in vehicles as to their damageability.

Licence Fees

(a) The fees are paid only by motorists (owners, renters or drivers).

(b) Under the present rate structure the heavier the vehicle the greater the fee.

AGAINST

(a) It is not appropriate as premium revenue to provide private insurance against damage to one's own vehicle that is one's own responsibility.

(b) It leaves the Motor Vehicle Branch with no revenue for its own operations, such as driver testing, and vehicle testing, if all of the licence fees are allocated as premiums for Autoplan.

This suggests that only part of the licence fees, if any, should be allocated to Autoplan premiums. The amount, if any, should be determined annually in advance after deducting from the total estimated fees the estimated amounts actually needed to operate the motor vehicle branch.

There seems to be no logical argument for directing such taxes and fees to provide collision insurance or comprehensive insurance. But the law requires owners to insure their vehicles for public liability damage of a minimum amount of \$50,000. It is respectfully suggested that this basic minimum public liability insurance cost (claims and expenses) together with the no fault accident benefit costs (claims and expenses) should be the only claims and expenses to be covered by an allocation of revenue from motor vehicle licence fees and motor fuel taxes. That is to say, all of the claims costs and expenses for collision insurance and comprehensive insurance and for public liability insurance in excess of \$50,000 mandatory amounts should perhaps be covered entirely by individually rated premiums.

For the year 1976-77 the amount required for compulsory public liability insurance and no fault accident benefits (claims and expenses) should exceed the \$133,000,000 in the proposed budget of Autoplan approved by the previous board of directors.

This cannot be arranged in time for the next fiscal year because of the work required to modify legislation, approve policy forms and recalculate more sophisticated premium rates.

But for the following year 1977-1978 there should be no difficulty arranging for competition. While this matter is properly one for the government to consider, the board of directors of the corporation will no doubt want to prepare for the following contingencies:

(a) To compete with other insurers in extension insurance. This has prevailed in

Saskatchewan and Manitoba but I have been advised that most of the companies have withdrawn or are withdrawing. In any event, the premium rates of the corporation for 1977-78 should be competitive for extension insurance particularly, with necessary defences against "creaming" by the competition. Some kind of pooling arrangement needs to be set up so that every insurer can relieve itself of undesirable risks by "pooling" them, if each insurer is required to accept every extension risk for which it has a published premium. Joint adjusting and assessing of claims should be arranged. Perhaps the corporation can arrange for other insurers to use the claim centres, at an agreed charge.

(b) To hear requests for competition with other insurers in the basic insurance. So far I have not been able to find a way of dealing with competition on basic insurance while still passing on to the public the real, and large savings in administration expenses that result from the use of a government monopoly for the compulsory insurance. The savings in commissions and claims adjusting are significant. There may, however, be some waste in the actual claim amounts, when a government monopoly is used for the basic insurance. Very little work has been done in the corporation on the problem of reducing claims. The officials involved have unanimously advised me that they are not satisfied with present methods of the corporation. The allowed rates per hour and the allowed time for automobile repairs, are both subject to attack as being possibly wasteful. There have been suggestions that bodily injury claims might be adjusted to a lower total cost if outside adjusters were used rather than in-house adjusters or lawyers in-house or outside. The claims problems are a top priority. If the claims can be reduced so that there appears to be no significant waste by the corporation, then

the savings in commissions and adjusting expenses alone should be sufficient justification for keeping competition out of the basic insurance. Most of the officials of the corporation whose opinions I have sought have suggested that there would be no point in continuing ICBC if it does not operate the basic insurance as a monopoly.

If the board of directors agrees that the devices of collecting premium revenue through the motive fuel taxes and motor vehicle licence fees are worthwhile and not offensive for philosophical reasons, then it would be appropriate to request a firm commitment from the government of a specified amount (or specified formula to determine the amount) of such revenue to be paid to the corporation regularly throughout the year.

If such an amount is to be obtained then the staff of the corporation should be advised forthwith so that premiums can be calculated to produce the balance of the revenue required to cover the 1976-77 costs plus a margin towards liquidating the large deficit.

If there is to be no such revenue available the premium rates suggested in proposal "C" should be used.

I have been unable to re-

view the general insurance operations of the corporation except to note a loss in 1974-75 of about \$2,000,000, which has not been considered herein.

Thank you for asking me to carry out this assignment. I shall be pleased to assist you further if you need to call on me again.

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African Economies In Red

ADDIS ABABA (Reuter) — African economies plunged into the red last year with an overall balance-of-trade deficit of \$2.5 billion.

The executive secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (ECA), Adebayo Adedeji, said the deficit compared with a surplus of \$11.5 billion in 1974.

He blamed world recession, increased energy costs and higher prices for goods imported from the industrialized nations for the adverse figures.

But Africa's economic outlook was reasonably optimistic, providing there was no major upset in the world economic order, he said.

Adedeji urged closer cooperation among African countries and closer ties with industrialized states to speed economic development and increase food production.

Other ECA objectives, he said, should include the establishment of industries geared to supporting agricultural development.